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IMPORTANCE OF ASIA ECONOMIC SITUATION

Priority problem for Sydney conference FOOD A VITAL TASK

London, May 6.
Britain's influential weekly, the "Economist," today advised Commonwealth statesmen to concentrate on economic problems when they gather in Sydney nine days hence for the first meeting of the Commonwealth Consultative Committee.

"The success of the Sydney conference will not depend upon the scrupulous exactness of its output of statistics but on a sense of momentum that it manages to create," the paper said in its current issue.

It suggested that the conference should leave defence questions to the London meeting of the Western Foreign Ministers, since a successful defence of Asia cannot be considered without the active participation of the United States.

Pearl River overflows its banks

As a result of swollen rivers further inland, parts of Canton have been submerged by the overflow of the Pearl River, according to vernacular Press reports from Canton yesterday.

The North Bund of the city is under water which has also reached some of the main thoroughfares nearby.

Other districts affected are Bai Kwan, Wong Sha, Fung Yuen, Do Po. The railway administration offices at the South Station have suspended operations as a result of the threatening flood waters.

Other reports said that as a result of heavy rainfall, the West and North Rivers have risen considerably. In many areas along the banks of the rivers, villages are feverishly constructing dykes to prevent their rice fields and houses from being inundated.

DOCK WORKERS' WAGE CLAIMS

The dockyard workers in Hong Kong are now leaving it to the men of the Kowloon Dock and the Cosmopolitan Dock to press their demand for a HK\$30-a-month special living allowance.

The management of the Kowloon Dock have so far declined to negotiate with representatives of the workers on the ground that their status as representatives of all categories of workers employed has yet to be established.

The workers have now decided to ask permission of the management to call a mass meeting of all the workers in the dockyard, when they can, in the presence of the management, signify by a show of hands that their representatives are empowered to speak for them in negotiations for the special allowance.

This request will be put to the management next week.

The Weather

At 0800 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) a trough of low pressure extends Eastwards from N. Indo-China along the S. China coast, with the S. China Sea depression over the Ryukyu, thence NEwards to the complex low pressure system over Japan and the Pacific to the NE.

Today's Forecast—light to moderate E winds, clearing SE. Mainly cloudy with occasional rain. Morning mist patches.

Tomorrow's Weather—Maximum: 81.0 deg. F. Minimum: 65.0 deg. F. Wind: S.W. to S. 10 to 15 mph. Rain: 10 to 15 mm.

24-hourly: 11.4 mm, 0.4 in. Total since Jan. 1—44.4 mm, 1.75 in. The average at this time of year is 215.7 mm, 8.5 in.

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Defending Knights



Garbed in an unorthodox "uniform" of cardboard armour, dark glasses and tall hat, the Duke of Edinburgh (near camera) clutches his wooden lance as he awaits the start of "Exercise Webfoot"—a Royal Marine landing practice at Malta's Ghajn Tuffieha Bay. As the Marines waded ashore, intent on taking an "enemy" airfield, the Duke and his companions rode forward as defending "knights." The battle—won by the Marines—was watched by Princess Elizabeth and her ladies-in-waiting. (A. P. Photo.)

ECHO OF THE FUCHS SPY CASE

Washington, May 6.
Three Senators attacked Great Britain today for withholding full co-operation from the United States in the Klaus Fuchs atomic spying case.

Senator Edwin C. Johnson, Colorado Democrat and member of the Senate House Atomic Committee, told a reporter he is shocked at reports that Britain has agreed to give the FBI only limited opportunity to question Fuchs, convicted of passing atomic secrets to Soviet agents.

Republican Senators H. Styles Bridges, of New Hampshire, and Homer Ferguson, Michigan, said information that Fuchs may be vital to defence plans under the North Atlantic Pact and ought not to be denied this country.

There has been no official statement but reliable reports are that the British insist on strict conditions under which FBI agents can talk to Fuchs—no arrangement the FBI is said to regard as inadequate if it is to get at the bottom of the atomic spying system.

A Senator who asked that his name not be used publicly, said even these unsatisfactory arrangements were not agreed to by the British, except under pressure exerted by high American officials.

Mr. Johnson thinks this amounts to very shabby treatment of the security problem by the British, adding:

"They ought to give us full and complete co-operation so that the whole case can be fully explored and so that any sides or relations of Fuchs in this country can be unearthed."

Mr. Ferguson noted in a separate interview that the information Fuchs admitted giving the Russians came from this country, where the British scientist worked in the atomic project during the war.—Associated Press.

Revolt in Venezuela

Mexico City, May 6.
Refugees from Venezuela say that that country's armed forces are split by unrest against the ruling military Junta and that some 3,000 persons have been arrested.

The reports from exiled members of the former Accion Democratica Party who were expelled by the Junta in 1948, coincided with official reports from Caracas, capital of Venezuela, of an unsuccessful armed attack on the Government's air base at Maracay, 125 miles West of the Government seat.

The Venezuelan Army commander said one attacker was killed and 38 wounded in an attempt to sabotage planes and flying equipment on the field. Two Government men were wounded. Reliable sources identified the leader of the attack as a former official in the old Accion Democratica regime.

The commander made no mention of a former U.S. Army mission which is maintained at the Maracay base.—Associated Press.

GENERAL GORDON IN MANILA

Manila, May 6.
The American President liner General Gordon today arrived from Hong Kong today, carrying 600 passengers. The Communist China. Gordon is to sail for Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco on Sunday night.—United Press.

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HK' air passenger gives NY a scare

New York, May 6.
An air passenger from Hong Kong—Mr. Hugh Turner, of Calcutta—who had travelled to London from the Colony, was responsible for the Health Authorities today holding in quarantine an American airliner from London.

The Authorities were warned by radio that the plane was a "test case" but following the aircraft's arrival and a medical examination, released all but two of its 11 passengers.

They quarantined the plane, a Pan-American Airways Constellation, when it arrived at Idlewild Airport last night from London, where a suspected smallpox passenger had been isolated.

The plane had arrived in London from Hong Kong, Bangkok, Karachi, Istanbul, Damascus and Munich.

Mr. Turner, the cause of all the precautions and the trans-Atlantic radio messages, left the Constellation at London Airport to join a British European Airways Dakota at Northolt Airport for Renfrew, Scotland, but then complained of illness and was suspected of having smallpox.—Reuter.

British textile mission in Japan

Tokyo, May 6.
The British members of a private Anglo-American textile mission to Japan arrived here today for an on the spot survey of their principal competitors in the cotton textile industry.

Sir Raymond Street, chairman of the United Kingdom Cotton Board and head of the six-man British delegation, denied reports that his group had come armed with proposals to present to the Japanese industry or General MacArthur's headquarters.

"On the contrary, we are here for information and consultation about the much changed pattern of world trade in textiles," he said on arrival.

He added: "Nevertheless, very great interest is being taken in our visit in practically every market in the world concerned with textiles. It is important for Japan as well as for us that a good report in every sense should eventuate from our visit."

Both American Occupation officials and Japanese have indicated privately that they believe the American and British textile men want to arrange some sort of restrictive agreement which would control the threat of cheap labour Japanese competition to world textile markets.

Sir Raymond withheld details on the planned two-week tour of inspection and conferences until after the arrival of the American delegation which is due here on Sunday night.

Firm belief
In a prepared statement he said: "So far as the British textile interests are concerned, I would say that we firmly believe in co-operation and have long been anxious to have such meetings as we now look forward to having with Japanese industrial leaders."

Fundamental worry
The fundamental worry of the Anglo-American cotton textileists is the impending loss of Far East markets those countries have enjoyed since the Japanese surrendered to end the war.

A secondary consideration is the thus far slight entry into Occidental markets by the Japanese textile industry.

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SOUTH AFRICA AND GOLD PRICE

Capetown, May 6.
South Africa today reserved the right to sell its gold at the highest price it can get contrary to the wishes of the International Monetary Fund.

N.C. Havenga, Finance Minister, in a strong statement to Parliament, expressed the Nationalist Government's dissatisfaction with the Board of Directors of the Fund. On Wednesday the Board rejected a South African proposal that gold producers be permitted to sell half their output in free markets at the best price obtainable above the fixed monetary price of \$35 an ounce.

The United States strongly opposed the South African proposal to the Monetary Fund. Mr. Havenga in Parliament said the United States is the most outstanding example of countries which have conformed to Monetary Fund policy when it suited their convenience.

The Board said there was no economic justification for increasing the price of gold.—Associated Press.

CHIANG WARNS OF DANGER TO SE ASIA

Taipei, May 6.
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek yesterday declared that expansion of Soviet-directed Chinese Communism in Asia is not a problem of China alone but a question for the entire world.

The Nationalists had done their best to defend Hainan not only as a base of future counter-attacks on the mainland, but also for protection of countries in South East Asia from the Communist tide.

He clearly implied that Hainan was lost because the South East Asia countries themselves failed to heed his informal warning and left the Chinese Nationalists to do the job all alone.

Speaking on the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Revolutionary Government at Canton in 1921, Chiang said the loss of rich Hainan Island was a threat to the security of all South East Asia. He blamed the Nationalists' defeat there on two factors:

1. Twelve continuous and weakening years of fighting against the Japanese and Chinese Reds.
2. South East Asia's own failure to realise their own stake in the Nationalists' battle.

Chiang said:

"After eight years of war with Japan and four years of fighting against the Communists single-handed, China has been greatly weakened. Our economic resources are nearing exhaustion. We were no longer capable of defending Hainan effectively."

Hainan's importance

Military officials advised him last December that the Nationalists were not strong enough to defend Hainan and advised him not to defend it rather than sacrifice troops and at the same time endanger Taiwan.

"But," Chiang said, "I told them that the position of Hainan was important not only to China, but also to the whole of South East Asia. Although the countries in South East Asia might not have a clear understanding of the situation, we must warn them and give them to understand that we would defend Hainan and would not abandon the island unless absolutely necessary. But unfortunately in the past three years no response to our informal warning has come from the countries concerned in South East Asia. The Communists launched a large-scale attack on Hainan last month. We had done our best in defending the island and protecting our neighbouring countries. We were compelled to withdraw from the island."

(Chiang did not explain to what he referred by "informal warning." However, it is commonly believed and openly discussed here that Chiang scrapped original plans to "liberate" Hainan in December. His advisers persuaded him that foreign aid would be forthcoming in a matter of weeks when other countries realised the full importance of Hainan in the overall military picture.)—Associated Press.

Communist attack on foreign transportation companies

A violent attack against the alleged inefficiency of management of Shanghai's two major foreign-owned public transportation companies has been made by Shanghai's official Chinese organ, "Liberation Daily."

The companies attacked are the British-owned Shanghai Electric Construction Company, whose trams and buses serve the former International Settlement, and the French-owned Tramway Company serving the former French Settlement.

Arrivals in Hong Kong said the "Liberation Daily" charged last March the British concern lost 2,000 million Yen. Mr. Ploy, chairman of cost of power supply (about US\$2,000) and carried a debt of 15,700 million Yen (US\$450,000). The French company, the paper said, lost in the same month 3,000 million Yen (about US\$900,000) and carried a debt of 21,000 million Yen (about US\$600,000).

Loans to these concerns were advanced by the People's Bank of China.

The "Liberation Daily" is reported to have said that much of the financial "mess" was due to a "most unreasonable wage system" and other wastage.

The paper is reported to have said that while the average pay for each Frenchman in the French Tram Company was 3,304 parity units (about US\$530), the highest wage for an ordinary Chinese employee is 330 parity units (about US\$53) and the lowest 141 (about US\$23), making an average of 163 parity units (US\$26.50).

The director of the French company, according to the "Liberation Daily," was receiving a salary equivalent to US\$1,700, in addition to an equally large sum for expenses.

The paper also charged the French company with "wastefulness" in the use of its power supply.

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Reminders

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HK Art Club sketching party to Stanley, members to meet at Queen's Pier, 10.30 a.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Tombola, 8 p.m.

European YMCA, Armchair Group meeting talk on "A Study of Communism in Relation to Christianity" by the Rev. Mr. West, 8.45 p.m.

Beazar in aid of funds for Rosary Church extension, at St. Mary's School, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

St. John Ambulance Brigade first aid parade, Caroline Hill, 10.30 a.m.

Confirmation Service by Bishop Valentin, at North Point Refugee Camp, 10.30 a.m.

Coming events

TOMORROW

Union Jack Club, Tombola, 7.30 p.m.

European YMCA, Whist Drive 9 p.m.

American International Assurance Co., Ltd., "Open House" at new premises, in Edinburgh House, 4 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

TUESDAY

HK Rotary Club luncheon, screening of film "The Story of Money" Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

European YMCA Bridge Drive, 3 p.m.

Union Jack Club, Dancing Class, 8.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Billy Tingle's physical course, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Nine Dragons Services Club, Dancing class, 6-7 p.m.; film "Sale of Deeds" 8 p.m.

HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, monthly meeting, China Fleet Club theatre, 5.30 p.m.

Union Jack Club, Whist Drive, 7.45 p.m.

With words of warm praise, the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, officiated at the opening of the new recreational ground of the Aberdeen Industrial School at Aberdeen yesterday. Sir Alexander said that it was the sound blending of idealism with practical common sense that had made the school a success.

"I know that this is so because not only do I receive reports on the school, but when I visited it two years ago, I

British textile mission in Japan

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That is a thumbnail sketch of the mission's objectives offered by official circles in Washington.

According to these quarters, both British and American cotton textile exporters know they are going to have to relinquish to the Japanese. But East markets were a result of the war but they have not arrived at the point yet where they wish to say so.

Official circles in Washington agree with the statement issued by the American textile men as they left Washington. They said the trip to Japan is exploratory to talk problems of the trade with the Japanese.

Natural market

However, U.S. Government officials said there is no reason to expect decisions to be made by the Anglo-American industries regarding the future of the Japanese textile trade.

"The Japanese must make exportable items for export if they are going to come anywhere near getting the 3,500,000 tons of food from abroad that they must have each year to live," it is stated in Washington.

"Cotton textiles are probably the most important item among such exportables and in the Far East is the natural place for them to be sold," it is further said.

"British and American spinners are in the process of accepting this fact and their mission's trip to Japan is a part of the process."—United Press and Associated Press.

Varying views on Middle East policy

London, May 4.

Two British left wing reviews today took opposite attitudes to Britain's recent recognition of the incorporation of Arab Palestine into Jordan and the Minister of State, Mr. Kenneth Younger's latest declaration on Britain's Middle East policy.

The "New Statesman and Nation" said that the tensions and dangers created by Mr. Younger's statement should not be underestimated.

"The Tribune," representing the left wing of the Labour Party, decided that "The long dragged-out Palestine conflict may be said to be nearing its end."

The "New Statesman" criticised British policy generally, and said "We have given the impression that strengthening the Arab League is the mainspring of our policy."

"In Baghdad and Cairo the latest British move will be regarded as yet another double-cross. If Mr. Bevin really desires good relations with Israel he cannot refuse to sell her arms while he gives jet fighters to her enemies," the paper added.

"The Tribune" said that both King Abdullah and Mr. David Ben-Gurion, the Israeli Prime Minister, faced some internal opposition, but it is not expected that either Government will be seriously troubled in the negotiation leading to the first Jewish-Arab peace.

"The Tribune" said that the Arab League's opposition to King Abdullah's policies was still noisy, and that it was unfortunately a fact that the irresponsibility of Egyptian politicians, has been strongly repressed by the British Government's policy of helping to arm Egypt while maintaining an arms embargo against Israel.

"It is satisfactory to hear that this whole one-sided policy is now under review,"—Reuter.

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A diamond ring was found on the beach at Repulse Bay, near the Lido, on the fifth of February 1950. Will any claimants please communicate with the Divisional Superintendent, Western Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

Hong Kong, May 6, 1950.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Holm, who were married at St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, yesterday. The bride was formerly Miss Isabel de Costa. ("China Mail" Photo).

HK businessman optimistic on India, Pakistan

The threat of war between India and Pakistan has definitely lifted and optimism prevails that their relations will improve, a recent arrival from India stated yesterday.

He is Mr. Victor Mamak, Indian businessman, who has just returned to Hong Kong from a three-month sojourn in New Delhi and Calcutta.

Mr. Mamak said when he arrived in India conditions were deteriorating between the two Dominions and he anticipated the outbreak of trouble. When he left New Delhi a week ago the Governments of India and Pakistan were seriously implementing the pact signed in mid-April by Prime Ministers Nehru and Liaquat Ali Khan.

He quoted Pandit Nehru's words as the best description of what had happened. Mr. Nehru told Parliament on the occasion of the signing of the Pact: "We have stopped ourselves at the edge of the precipice, and turned our backs to it."

Mr. Mamak was full of praise for Mr. Nehru's handling of the situation, and expressed his belief that there was a real chance for the broad-mindedness of the two Prime Ministers, disaster would not have been long averted.

From his observation of the reaction of the Indian people to news of the pact's signing, Mr. Mamak said they attributed it to the spirit of Gandhi, who in his lifetime opposed violence of any kind.

There was no doubt whatever that the Indian people accepted the pact with relief, and were ready to implement it. He had no reason to suppose that Pakistan would disown it, although there was a small section which thought that Pakistan was playing for time.

Indo-British relations

People who thought this way were in the minority, and Mr. Mamak was not ready to share their view.

He said going to India was a revelation to him, and provided him with wonderful experiences. He met the Indian Foreign Secretary, Mr. K.P.S. Menon, and other Government leaders and was profoundly impressed by the manner in which they handled the task of administering Free India. He thought the New Republic could not be in better hands.

Discussing Indo-British relations, Mr. Mamak said they were never better. There was no animosity on the part of India towards Great Britain or the Englishman. The Indian and the Briton were getting along better today than ever. They met on an equal footing, and intelligible like pride and prejudice complex—which at one time strained their relationship—no longer obtained.

Indian students were being encouraged to go to Britain, and British university degrees were much sought after.

British street names and statues remain unaltered and will not be removed, Mr. Mamak said. They were well maintained and the Government of India has decided to maintain them as historic relics.

Recognition issue

He thought India was anxious to promote friendly relations with China, and felt that Foreign Secretary Menon would do all in his power to transform the diplomatic recognition of the People's Republic into reality.

The Indians he had met were curious about China and wanted to know how the Chinese people were faring.

The present Government of India realises the position of India in the Far East, and is confident that it will work for "Asiatic stability," Mr. Mamak said.

T.O.C.H. CONCERT

A concert of recorded classical music will be presented at Talbot House (T.C.H.) 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30 p.m. today.

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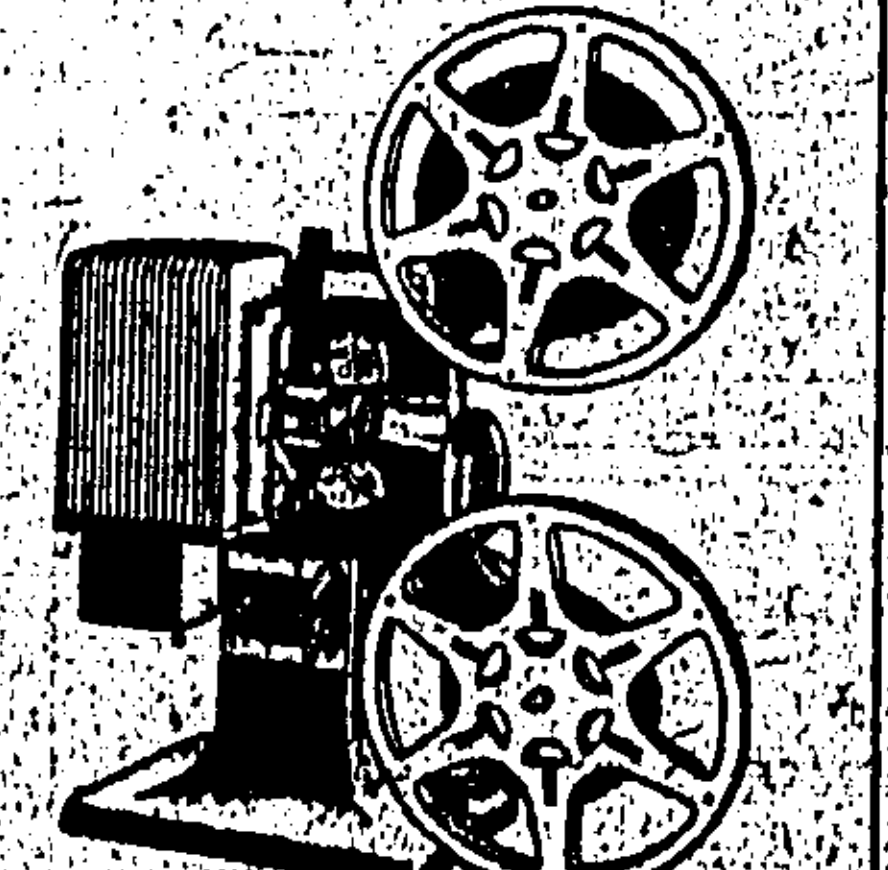
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JANUARY

(December 21—January 19)
Settle all you can by letter this week. Also, if claiming money due to you, put it in writing. A fortunate week for family affairs. A triumph over a property deal likely towards week-end.

FEBRUARY

(January 20—February 18)
A good week financially; long expected profits should come in before week-end. Fortunate too anything that involves travel or new premises. Family affairs still under turbulent sway; beware fallings out on Friday.

MARCH

(February 19th—March 20th)
A good week for money making and better still for establishing goodwill. Possibility of conflict with a trusted associate over some project covering the next few months. Important week for new contracts and correspondence.

APRIL

(March 21—April 20)
Venus enters your Sun-Sign this week. Hence likelihood of happier period, easier progress. Make all the use you can of new social contacts; business goodwill. Take pains to keep fit.

MAY

(April 21—May 20)
Unusual social possibilities this week, particularly on Wednesday and Saturday. Don't hesitate to spend money on entertaining, keeping up-to-date. Possibility of differences arising with fellow-workers or close associate on Thursday.

JUNE

(May 21—June 20)
Money comes in unexpectedly in next few days, partly through skillful manoeuvring and partly through speculative "luck". But stormy period likely in domestic affairs or you find men relatives overbearing. Be wary of mischief-makers and gossip-mongers.

July

(June 21—July 20)
Something fixed up in next few days that is likely to bring substantial profits later. Also, your mind will probably be set at ease about a project that will be maturing slowly over the next few years. Towards the end of the week a speed-up in social activities.

AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)
Benefits this week through the marriage partner or through a close associate. In spite of underlying anxiety about an old debt or commitment, much cause for

hope. A new scheme develops rapidly and overseas contacts become remunerative.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)
Chance of making a useful link-up mid-week. Don't hesitate to scrap your own plans, concede a point or two if necessary. Unusually important correspondence must be dealt with towards week-end.

OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)
Your closest associate has all the "luck" this week, but you will benefit indirectly. Prepare to fit in with arrangements of marriage or business partner, best friend. Late in week, sensational news of a family affair.

NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 22)
Prospects of speculative gains mid-week but much goes out on family claims and on impetuous old friends. A good week for clearing staff difficulties. Worthwhile being sociable and hospitable towards week-end.

DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)
Conflict within the family turns out to your advantage. One set of relatives ultra-critical or disagreeable, another helpful and generous. Travel may be necessary in connection with a new scheme mid-week.

SUNDAY, MAY 7: FOR MOST OF US: This could be a most enjoyable day. Get out and about if you can; if not, stage an informal party. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Rose Pink, 6, Lapis-lazuli.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Although this may not be an outstanding year in your affairs, it is likely to be one of the pleasantest you have had for a long time. You will be on top of your form physically, ready to enjoy life to the full. From a business and financial angle too all seems well this year.

Better not make far-reaching changes until just before your next birthday and probably not then. If you can stay where you are for several months longer, you will begin to see good results from all you have done in the last few years. Also, friendships made since 1945 should now bring great happiness.

It is a good year for taking minor risks, however; don't hesitate to follow up the "odd chance" in business, enjoy yourself on the sports field, try out daring schemes. It is a good year, too, for travel, provided you don't move house or settle far from home.

If you are interested in group movements or in social life, this year should open up interesting possibilities. It looks as though you may take a leading part in the activities of your district or your particular circle. Your personality and ability to influence others will be much stronger as the year goes on.

In your personal affairs it will be a very happy period. If now single, engagements are extremely likely in the New Year. If married, youngsters keep you happy and busy and the family circle is likely to be increased before your next birthday.

MONDAY, MAY 8: FOR MOST OF US: Stick to routine today, and make no innovations in your business or personal life. Probably wise to trust to intuition this afternoon. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: All well this year provided you make no changes of importance. If you experiment too much with life, insist on reshuffles either in business or personal affairs, you may end the year perplexed and in difficulties. So better resolve to "stay put" until your next birthday.

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

Where premises—both home and business—are concerned, this advice is all the more essential. The chances are that you will feel restless this year and inclined to move about at any cost. But if you do take a new house or change your job, you will probably regret the move.

There is little need to worry about finances, and you may benefit through windfalls in October. Expenditure is likely to be heavy about August and again in the New Year of 1951. Although you may get an opportunity to travel, it would not be wise to take it. Short holiday journeys would be advantageous, but resist any temptation to go abroad for more than a short period.

Health and your affairs would suffer if you were long away from home.

Better be a little more careful than usual about health precautions and, if married, see that your marriage partner follows the same advice. If unmarried, this is likely to be a year of romantic experiences, but it would be unwise to settle down just yet. Think well before you commit yourself in 1950/51.

TUESDAY, MAY 9: FOR MOST OF US: Time-wasters may upset your plans this afternoon. Extra concentration needed if you are to accomplish much today. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Cream, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: During the first half of your birthday year you may be restless and dissatisfied. But little happens to justify your fears; you will probably end the year comfortably and with your circumstances largely unchanged. So don't make rash moves or throw up a profitable job on account of upsets in the next few months.

If you employ others you may find them trying and possibly dishonest. If you are employed yourself, fellow workers are likely to be irritating and, disloyal. Certain changes in your environment will probably keep you "on edge" nervously between now and Christmas.

If you have much to do with children and young people, expect problems to develop in the near future. The chances are that younger associates will play an important part in your affairs this year whether or not you are normally conscious of them.

Although you may feel unsettled during most of 1950, don't make impulsive changes at home. After Christmas "it should" be possible to sort out most of your

problems and to get rid of undesirable elements in business and in the household. So be as patient and long-suffering as you can during the first half of the year.

If still unattached, think well before you plunge into engagement or marriage, for the chance to do so will probably come your way before Christmas. There is the likelihood that any personal arrangement made in the next 12 months would not last long. If already married, better put up with temporary inconveniences rather than make far-reaching changes at the moment. Wait until early 1951 before you move house or change your way of living.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10: FOR MOST OF US: Excellent business day. Collect money owing or cash in on new deals. But don't revive yesterday's arguments or be a party to family feuds. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Wine Red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Provided you don't worry about blunders of the last 12 months, all should be well with you this year. So be prepared to cut your losses and forget the past if you want to make the most of 1950 opportunities. It is little use trying to worm up half-completed schemes or clinging to associations that have become distasteful. If you get a chance to break away from your present work or environment in September, it might be advisable to do so. Alternatively, revise your methods and concentrate on new schemes and new ideas.

Financially it should be a bumper year, provided you do not dabble in property. You may have windfalls or "gambler's luck" or, more probably, make substantial and unexpected profits in a new and daring scheme. But it is useless trying to collect money that has been owing to you for more than 18 months.

There is some likelihood of travel in the New Year and you would be wise to go abroad if you get the opportunity. Don't be persuaded to return to scenes of childhood or youth or to take on extra family responsibilities in 1950/51. Above all, avoid elderly people and their affairs.

In spite of underlying worry about family matters, you are likely to enjoy life in the coming 12 months. If unmarried, you may take the plunge unexpectedly in early 1951. If already married, it might be worthwhile moving your household to another part of the country or away from disagreeable friends.

THURSDAY, MAY 11: FOR MOST OF US: In spite of possible quarrels, a progressive day. Propitious for interviews, correspondence, publicity schemes. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Bright Yellow, 5, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Success and happiness in 1950/51 depend on how independent you are by nature. If you are capable of standing on your own feet, going ahead with your own ideas, all will be well with you this year. If you lean on others, look for advice, trouble is likely to develop.

Your main problems in 1950/51 will be business rivalry and personal enmity. If you can keep the peace around you you will make rapid progress, but there is a chance that you will lose your temper from time to time and as a consequence cherished schemes may be frustrated. All's well financially though you may be in extravagant mood and spend a little more than you can afford. Profits will come in through new schemes rather than through established ones. Also, you should gain substantially through skillful use of publicity.

A house move is likely late in the year or alternatively, travel overseas. A good deal of movement is probable in 1950/51 and you are likely to make several journeys in connection with your business affairs.

In spite of storms and possible scandal, this is a good year for getting married if single, or for enlarging your household if married. Don't hesitate to make far-reaching changes in your way of living and to oppose interfering neighbours or relatives. You may have a certain amount of trouble with brothers and sisters in September.

FRIDAY, MAY 12: FOR MOST OF US: Restless and uneasy day. Perhaps probably most of day. Don't make important commitments if you can avoid them. Better for social life than for work. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Pastel Shades, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Personal problems will be more to the fore than financial or business worries in 1950/51. However, tactful you are by nature you may find it difficult to steer clear course through the troubled sea of intimate relationships this year. In your workaday affairs the prospect is an easy one. Nevertheless, it might be as well to stay put if you can. However much you dislike your present job, don't plunge into a new one unless you are quite sure what you are doing. Also, be careful to keep on the right side of officials throughout the year.

But your main anxiety will be to get others to work in harmony with you and with each other. Again and again your closest associates will go off at a tangent, oppose your most important plans. It is possible that personal worries and claims upon your time may hold up some money-making scheme in June or July.

Try to keep on the right side of the conventions throughout the year and don't air unpopular opinions in the next six months. There is some danger that you might alienate women who could be very useful to you in the near future by unorthodox practices and opinions.

Women are likely to matter a great deal in whatever goes on in 1950/51. If your work links up with their interests so much the better for you. In anything that concerns the family or your personal life they will play an outstanding part. Incidentally, a woman will do much to precipitate a family estrangement either in July or February 1951.

SATURDAY, MAY 13: FOR MOST OF US: Forget your worries and enjoy yourself today. Entertainment schemes and parties do well both early and late in the day. If travelling, allow for muddles or missed connections. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Primrose Yellow, 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins what will probably be an outstandingly happy year, but a complicated one. You will enjoy life in 1950/51 but find it difficult to see just where you are going. You will also make money, but probably squander it on unnecessary purchases or doubtful investments.

If you are content to stick to your usual job or way of making money, you need have no serious worries this year. But if you hope for speculative "luck" or put money into "get-rich-quick" schemes, you are likely to get disillusioned. Caution pays in all business and financial undertakings.

On the other hand it might pay to take chances in personal affairs. New friendships are likely to become extremely valuable if you follow them up without loss of time. Generous and hospitable gestures would be repaid more quickly than you expected.

Any serious worries you might have in 1950/51 would arise through scandal-mongers and mischief-makers. Someone is likely to do you an ill turn unless you are on your guard. Probably the person concerned will be someone whom you have greatly trusted in the last year or so.

It is an excellent year for getting married or, if married, for improving the home. But mysteries will abound in the family circle and in your group of friends. You will be continually perplexed by the curious behaviour of those around you and by unfounded gossip that circulates in your particular group.

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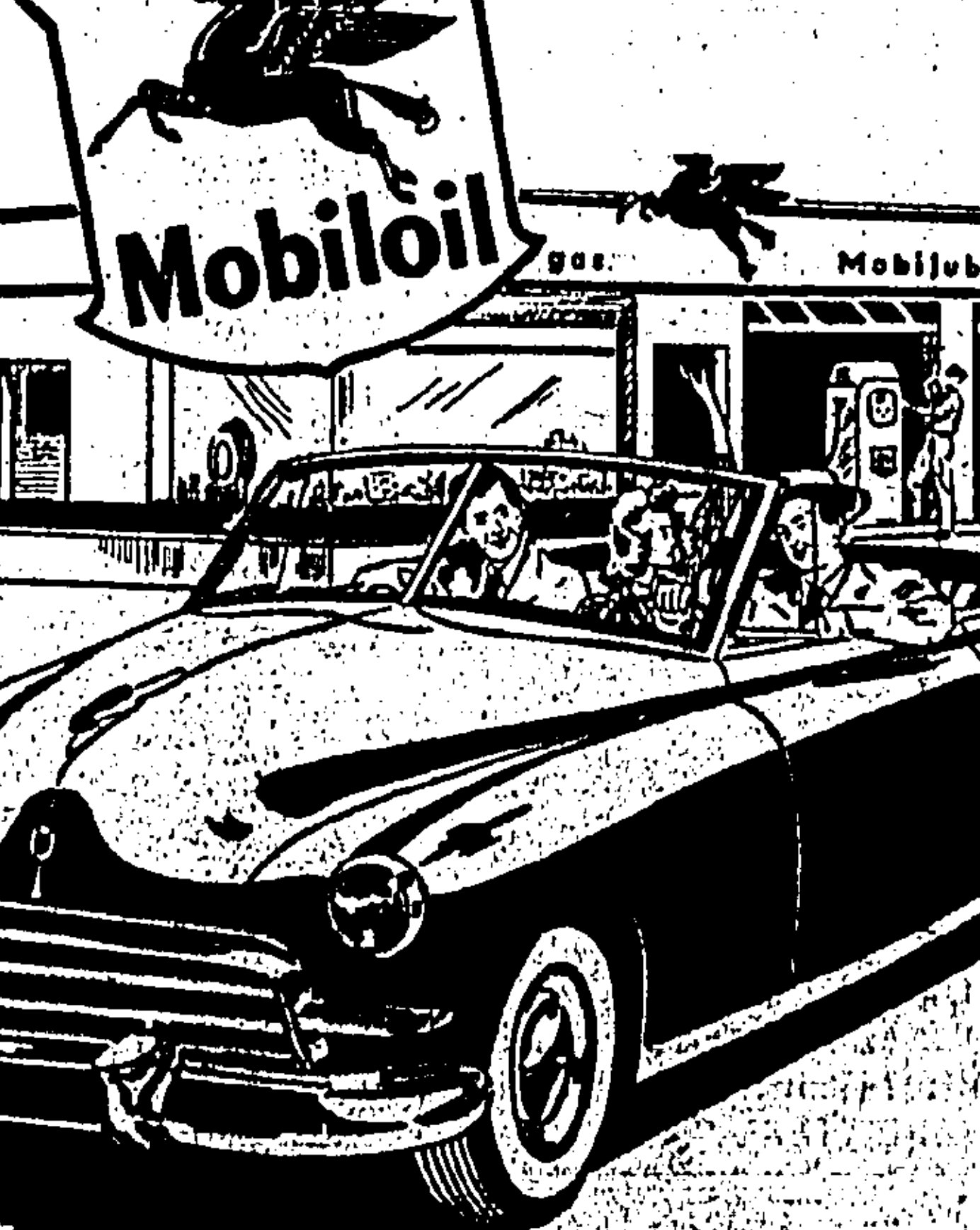
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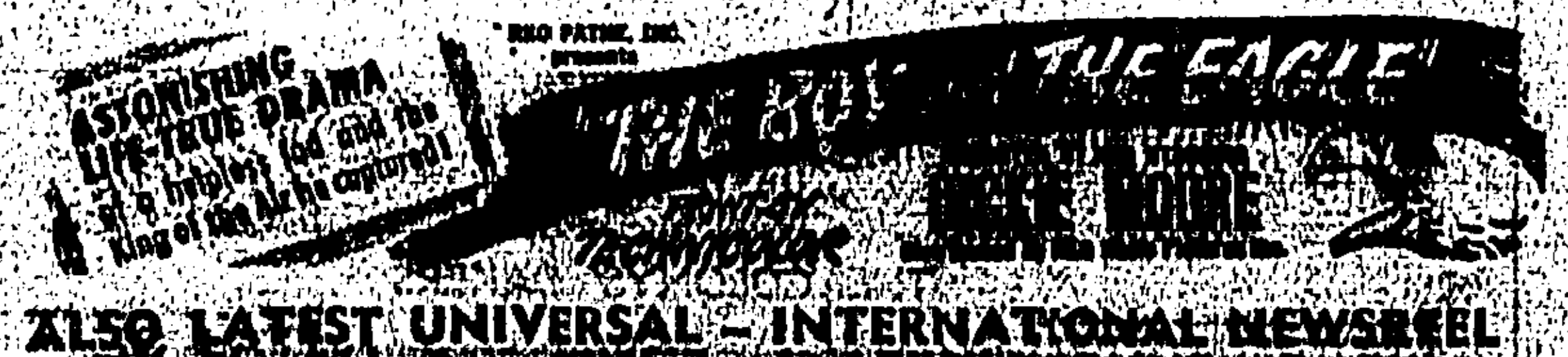
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ALL-WOMAN SESSION OF UN COMMISSION

Late Success, May 5.

An all-woman session of United Nations delegates will be held here on May 8-19 to argue about the bad treatment women still get in many parts of the world—just because they are women. The group is the Commission on the Status of Women. This will be its fourth meeting. There is a delegate for each of the 15 countries represented on the Economic and Social Council. And there is not a man delegate in the lot.

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A.M.

10.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

10.05—"Saturday Sports Review"—(Studio)

10.10—"Gracie Fields (Vocal)" with Philip Green and His Orch.

10.15—"Relay of the Service from St. M. Rockyard Church Conducted by the Rev. T. G. Goss, R.M."

11.15—"Organ Solo by Dr. G.D. Cunningham."

11.20—"Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orch. (HBCS)

P.M.

1.00—"Sports Time"—by Bill Phillips. (Studio)

1.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

1.35—"Albert Roubert Trio."

1.45—"Light Variety with Frankie Laine." (Vocal)

1.50—"News, Weather Report and Announcements."

1.55—"Afternoon Concert."

2.00—"Take It from Here"—With Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards. (HBCS)

2.30—"Just Half Hour"—Introduced by Scott McConnell. (Studio)

3.00—"Hospital Requests"—Presented by Pamela Young. (Studio)

3.05—"London News." (London Relay)

3.10—"Short Story: 'Furl and Plaid'—By A.E. Coppard. Read by John Loveless. (Studio)

3.20—"Two Company"—Presented by Jackie Palmer. (Studio)

3.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

3.35—"Service Even-Song"—Conducted by the Rev. K.A. Wild, C.P. (Studio)

3.40—"London Studio Melodies"—The Melochino Orch. (HBCS)

3.45—"We Sing for You"—Tiana Lomile (Soprano) and Torsen Ralf (Tenor)

3.50—"Weekly News Letter." (London Relay)

3.55—"Dinner Music."

4.00—"World News and News Analysis." (London Relay)

4.10—"Looking Ahead"—A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio)

4.15—"Play Lovers"—A Dramatization of Anthony Trollope's Novel "The Eustice Family." (HBCS)

4.20—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)

4.25—"Weather Report."

4.30—"Symphony Concert—Schubert's Symphony No. 4 in D Minor. Conducted by John Harbottle. (Eduard Lalo's Concerto in B-minor pour Violoncelle et L'Orchestre Andre Navarra (Cello) et L'Orchestre de L'Asie)

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One or two males may get into the meeting as officials or translators, but there are enough women secretariat officials to run the whole feminist show, even though there are rumours that the UN itself does not give women an even break.

A report by the Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, prepared for the Commission meeting shows that in the UN there are only three women in the five top salary levels compared with 177 men.

Seventy-six per cent of the UN women employees are employed in the seven lowest pay groups.

Only four per cent of the total representation among delegates of the last assembly are women.

The three top-ranked secretariat women are Mrs. Alva Myrdal, in the director's classification, attached to the Secretary-General's office; Julia Henderson, in the personnel office; and Helen Moats, in the transportation office of the economic section.

Mrs. Myrdal is Swedish, wife of Gunnar Myrdal, executive secretary of the UN Economic Commission for Europe. Her specialty is social welfare. The others are U.S. citizens.

Hubbard and wife

In addition to political discrimination, the women's group keeps an eye on sex discrimination in other fields—the various attitudes toward adultery, for instance.

Under French law, a UN survey shows, a husband can kill his wife and her lover if he finds them in adultery. In his home, and his act is considered excusable.

But if the wife catches hubby and his girl friend at their home, doing exactly the same thing, and she pumps them full of bullets, such an excuse is not admitted.

Child gives the wife and her lover some small consolation. If hubby shoots them, he is exempt from criminal responsibility only provided that his general behavior was not such as to make the wife's fault excusable.

The wife is punished more severely in Belgium, Greece, Haiti, France, Italy and Syria, the survey shows.

Double standard

In sex offences generally, women suffer more severe punishment than men, and the survey says, this is so in the United States partly because the laws generally are provided and partly because of the double standard which the American public has on sex matters.

In the political field, UN survey indicates that rights for women

are spreading. Women now have equal rights with men in the political field in 52 countries.

But 22 countries—18 of them members of the UN—still have legislation that discriminates against women.

Eight of these countries provide equal rights only if the women can meet certain educational or property qualifications not required for men.

Five countries give women the right to vote or hold office in municipal elections only.

In 13 countries, women cannot vote or hold elective office either by law or custom.

The delegates spend their time riddling into practices that limit educational opportunities for women, that restrict women's rights to citizenship because of the husband's nationality, and that effect their right to hold property in their own name.

Equal pay

The Commission is jealous about the right of women to collect the same amount of pay when they do the same work as men. And they are continually trying to widen the sphere of women's work.

However, the UN surveys have turned up one modern custom in some backward areas. In Burma and in New Guinea, husbands are liable for the debts of the wife, but the wife is not responsible for her husband's debts.

The Commission expects to have a Russian walk-out over the Chinese question, and, as in other UN organs, Mrs. E. A. Popova of Russia, is expected to act like her mole Russian counterparts in objecting to the presence of Miss Cecilia Siu-ling Zung of Nationalist China.

There is to be an election of officers with a president named to succeed Mme. Marie-Eveline Lafageux, France, elected at last year's session at Beirut. Lebanon's Mrs. Amalia C. de Castillo Lodon, Mexico, has been vice-chairman, and Mrs. Mihri Pekit, Turkey, rapporteur.—Associated Press.

"Wonder drug greater than penicillin"

London, May 6.

A British company has developed a new wonder drug greater than penicillin, Mr. Frederick Errill, announced in the House of Commons today.

He told reporters afterwards that details of the discovery will be published within seven days.

"The results so far achieved prove a completely new approach to virus diseases," Mr. Errill said.—Reuter.

Rediffusion

A.M.

7.00—Up With The Sun.

7.15—Morning Music.

7.30—News and Weather Report.

7.45—Sunday Variety.

8.15—"Exploring Hong Kong."

8.30—"Claude Thornhill and his orch."

8.45—Church Service.

9.00—Light Music.

9.15—"Bar Les Bonis de la Seine."

9.30—Lunch Time Music.

9.45—News and Weather Report.

10.15—Popular Concert.

10.30—"The Spice of Life."

10.45—"This Time."

11.00—Curtain Call.

11.15—Music Hall Varieties.

11.30—Acas Concert Party.

11.45—Forces Favourites.

12.00—"Just For You."

12.15—"The Gwaltney Programme."

12.30—"The Adventure of Sherlock Holmes."

12.45—"Songs of the Nations."

1.00—"Listen to Lifford."

1.15—B.B.C. News.

1.30—Local News.

1.45—"Jimmy Kire's Orchestra."

2.00—"Eastern Caravan."

2.15—"Songs from the Shows."

2.30—"Vivian Concerto No. 1 in D Major (Paganini) and Hungarian Rhapsody (Liszt)."

2.45—"London Playhouse."

3.00—B.B.C. News.

3.15—Local News.

3.30—Negro Spirituals.

3.45—Light Music.

4.00—"A Date with Dreamland."

4.15—Close Down.

London, May 5.

The Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, tired, drawn, and 21 pounds lighter than his usual 230, called on the Prime Minister, Clement Attlee, today to discuss Britain's proposals for next week's Western Foreign Ministers' meeting here.

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At present London is, for a brief period, the centre of the diplomatic world. More notabilities are here—and are expected—than at any time since the end of the war.

London will house during May what is already forecast as the most vital series of international conferences since 1945. Overshadowing everything, however, will be the Big Powers' talks on Atlantic unity. It is this question, which involves the integration of Western policy in a dozen different spheres from Indo-China to Germany, that brings so many diplomatic leaders to the capital.

Twelve Foreign Ministers and their staffs will be in town. A number will stay at their own embassies—the remainder at West End hotels.

Peace in South East Asia

A joint declaration emphasising their common interest in the maintenance of peace in South East Asia is likely to be made by the Atlantic Treaty Powers at the close of their London conference.

Australia and New Zealand, it is expected, would associate themselves with the step.

The State Department in Washington is now believed to have come round to the view, already held in London and Paris, that something more than economic help is needed if the South East Asia region is to withstand the Communist menace.

The declaration envisaged, backed by the dispatch of military equipment, would prove a strong deterrent to any armed aggression by the Red Chinese Government against Hong Kong, Indo-China, or Malaya. It would constitute a moral commitment by the U.S. to join Britain and France in meeting force with force.

There is also talk here of an American desire, for a combined democratic command in South East Asia and the Pacific similar to that among the Atlantic Pact signatories.

Malayan criticism

It is expected here that Mr. Malcolm MacDonald will soon resign his post as Commissioner-General for South East Asia, probably after the forthcoming visit of Mr. James Griffiths, the Colonial Secretary to Malaya.

Mr. MacDonald, who has been under some criticism recently

because of the deteriorating position in Malaya, was ardently opposed to Mr. Bevin's action in recognising the Chinese Communists.

He is believed to hold the view that its effect on the situation in South East Asia has been such as to apply to confirm his warnings. He wished to retire last year, but Mr. Attlee persuaded him to carry on. Now he is thought to be determined to leave, once a suitable successor has been found.

Experienced people on the spot share the Commissioner-General's view that Britain's recognition of the Chinese Reds on the eve of the Colombo Commonwealth Conference in January has done more than anything else to put new heart into the bandits of the Malay jungle and Communist "rebels" and trouble-makers elsewhere in South East Asia.

Most ironical of all—the recognition was prompted by the desire to safeguard British trade relations with China, but the Peking Government is not co-operating with Britain and is still withholding final agreement to an exchange of ambassadors.

A gamble?

Much of the criticism levelled at the Festival of Britain organisers here has been over the choice of site. The South bank of the Thames, where the exhibition is now taking shape has in turn been labelled "dull," "ugly," "ugly," and "unimaginative."

Certainly not the sort of site suitable for the layout of beautiful gardens and avenues of trees.

Now, however, the Festival powers—that have sprung a surprise. They have announced that they are to try the experiment of planting almost 100 fully-grown trees along the site. It is hoped these trees will line one of the principal avenues, "The Grand Concourse."

This scheme has aroused the interest of forestry experts, for transplanting fully-grown trees is almost unknown in this country. There are critics already

prepared to say the plan will be a complete gamble.

Apart from the fact that the foundation of the site at one stage was "little more than a heap of rubble, the procedure is bristling with uncertainties."

The task

This major operation—the Festival organisers consider it as such—is likely to be a costly one. It has a technique of its own. Blue prints and charts on the growth, condition, and soil of the trees must all be completed.

Forestry experts are already working out details. One has admitted that it is going to be a case of learning by experience. So far it has been deduced that the trees—all about 40ft. high—cannot be transplanted when their roots are rising. This means that they cannot be moved before November.

Some idea of the size of the task can be gauged from the fact that burrowing operations will have to be made completely under the roots. A giant framework of planks will have to be fitted under the huge ball of soil which must be taken up with the roots. Hoisting equipment and cranes will be required to complete the job.

A tricky operation indeed.

Secret weapons

Ever since the last day of war British scientists have been experimenting with new methods of combating submarine warfare.

Some of their earlier efforts were frankly disappointing. Now they have perfected weapons of such importance that I learn the Royal Navy will shortly set up a new "Anti-Submarine" Command. This will have the same status as the Submarine Command itself and the Naval Air Command, with an admiral in charge known as Admiral A/S.

The new secret weapons will be mounted in eight giant destroyers of the "D" class, now under construction. In new high-speed anti-submarine frigates, to be built shortly, and in destroyers of the "R" class which are being converted into frigates. Several

more destroyers of the "V" class will also be converted.

All these vessels are designed to deal with submarines as their natural enemy. An authority tells me that any enemy who uses submarines to attack British shipping life-lines is in for a shock.

Wanted: bedrooms

U.S. holiday-makers are planning the biggest invasion of this country since the war. Already London estimates a deficit of 1,300 hotel bedrooms during the height of the season.

As for 1951—Festival of Britain year—no one has yet produced the answer and the over-all plan of how the quart is going to be fitted into the pint pot.

What suggestions have been made so far? Boats on the Thames—floating hotels—is one. Holiday camps is another. Limited accommodation—how the Americans would love that!—is another.

Perhaps the brightest idea, which one travel agency supports, is that this country should throw open its homes to the Americans in 1951—a case of families offering their spare bedrooms for visitors. Will there be any real need for this? The tourist experts think so. Already London's big hotels are marking up their hotel registers for 1951. In fact, we are about to feel the effects of calling "the middle income bracket" in America. In his eyes this is the greatest untapped source of tourist potential in the world.

Judicious selling of Britain in the States has now apparently caught the imagination of the group. This summer, the first flow will begin. In 1951 they will be here in their thousands.

Show visits

The importance which members of the Royal family attach to the oldest of British industries—agriculture—is reflected in the series of visits which are being planned by them to agricultural shows during the summer season. The King and Queen have just returned from their tour of the States. Their intention to be present at the Royal Norfolk show at Anmer Park, Sandringham, on the 28 and 29 of June. This event is always of special interest to the King, for not only is he president of the society but there are always entries from the Sandringham Home Farm.

Their Majesties are also to attend the Royal Cornwall Show on July 12.

Although the matter is not yet definitely settled, the King hopes to visit the Royal Show at Oxford during the early days of July.

Wimbledon waits

Wimbledon awaits with a certain amount of trepidation the arrival of Miss Gertrude Moran in this country. It is not that her prowess on the centre court is feared; it is just that she may have something even more startling than the outfit that caused so much talk last year.

Her originality in tennis outfits has now assumed a significance like Mr. Churchill's cigar or Mr. Chamberlain's umbrella. Her fortunes half-way round the world this winter, from Karachi to Cairo, have been followed not so much for her prowess on the court, but for the "what's she wearing now?"

Already the tennis chiefs are perturbed. Semi-official hints have been thrown out. It looks as if "Gorgeous Gussie," as she is known, will have to abide by tradition.

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UNO's object

SING TAO JIH PAO: The nations concerned must give more attention and consideration to preventing the dismemberment of the United Nations Organisation and to turn it into an efficient machine for the settlement of international disputes.

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What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

Compulsory Chinese

SING TAO JIH PAO: There remains much room for further debate on the recently amended educational stipulation removing the Chinese language as a compulsory subject for the School Leaving Certificate Examination.

One cannot argue with the new ruling if all secondary schools were exclusively for European pupils. Then, naturally, the Chinese language would be regarded as a foreign language just as French and Portuguese languages are.

If the Chinese language had not been a compulsory subject in secondary schools, Chinese pupils would not have made any effort to study it. As a result they would not have been able to understand their own language.

If Chinese pupils do not understand their own language, how can one expect them to share in the responsibility of promoting cultural relations between China and Great Britain which today are essential in view of Hong Kong's close association with China?

On the other hand, whereas the Chinese language is not considered an important subject in secondary schools, many private schools are teaching Chinese classics to pupils still in the primary standards. This to us is unnecessary and the syllabus of such schools should be re-adjusted.

Juvenile delinquency

WAH KIU YAT PO: Mr. J. Wick's recent talk on juvenile delinquency demonstrated the importance of this social problem. Juvenile delinquency is a result of the difficulty of earning a livelihood and the lack of education.

However, much sympathy such delinquents generally earn, the law is concerned only with the effect, not the cause. Therefore, the responsibility of helping to solve the problem depends on the community, which should give greater attention to it.

Today the streets are full of homeless, destitute children. Adequate attention to them and their problems would contribute considerably to reducing juvenile delinquency in Hong Kong.

A number of local charitable organisations (such as the Salvation Army) has done much in assisting destitute women and

children. However, if the scope of these organisations can be enlarged to include accommodation for homeless children, it would help considerably to solve the problem.

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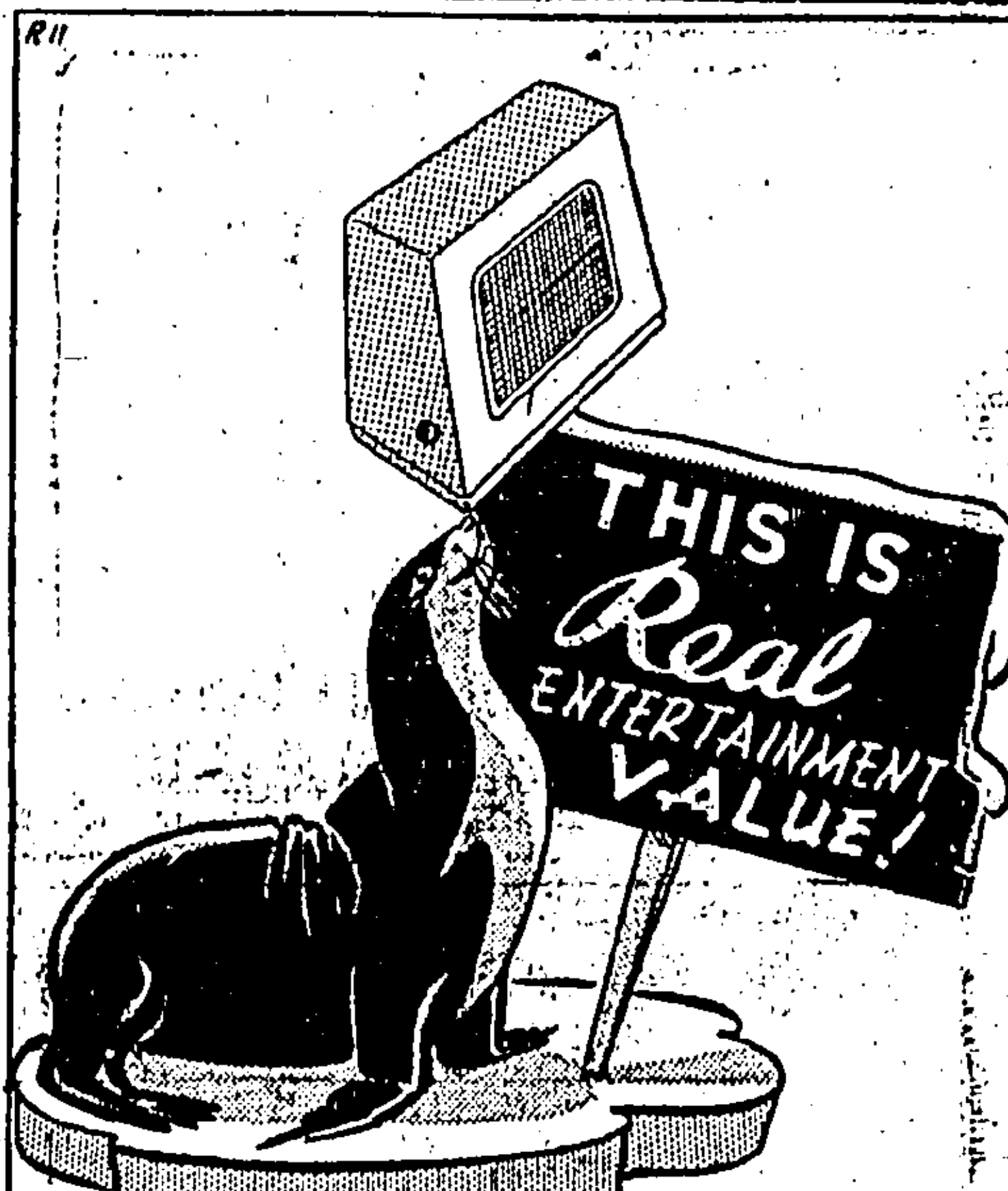
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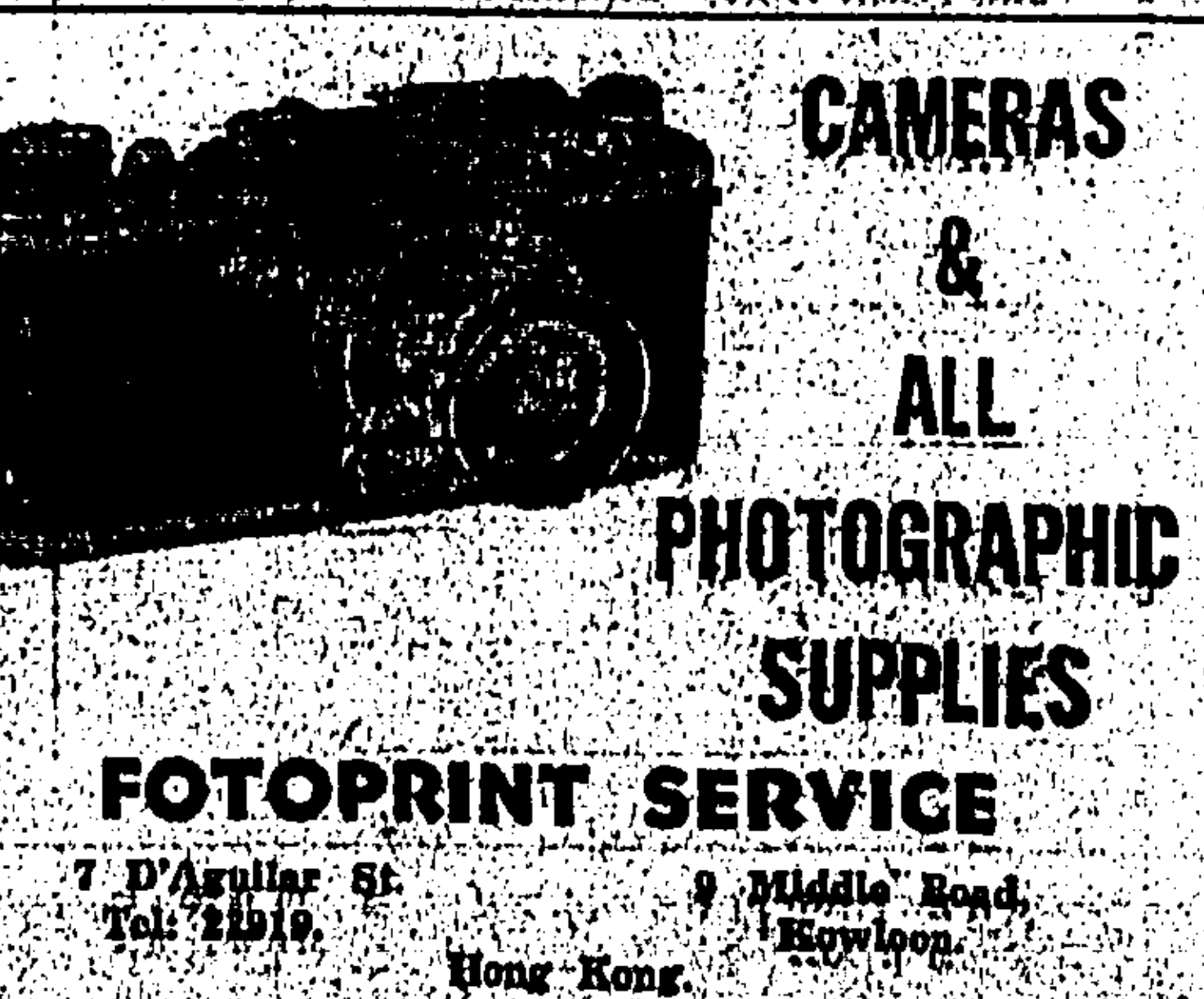
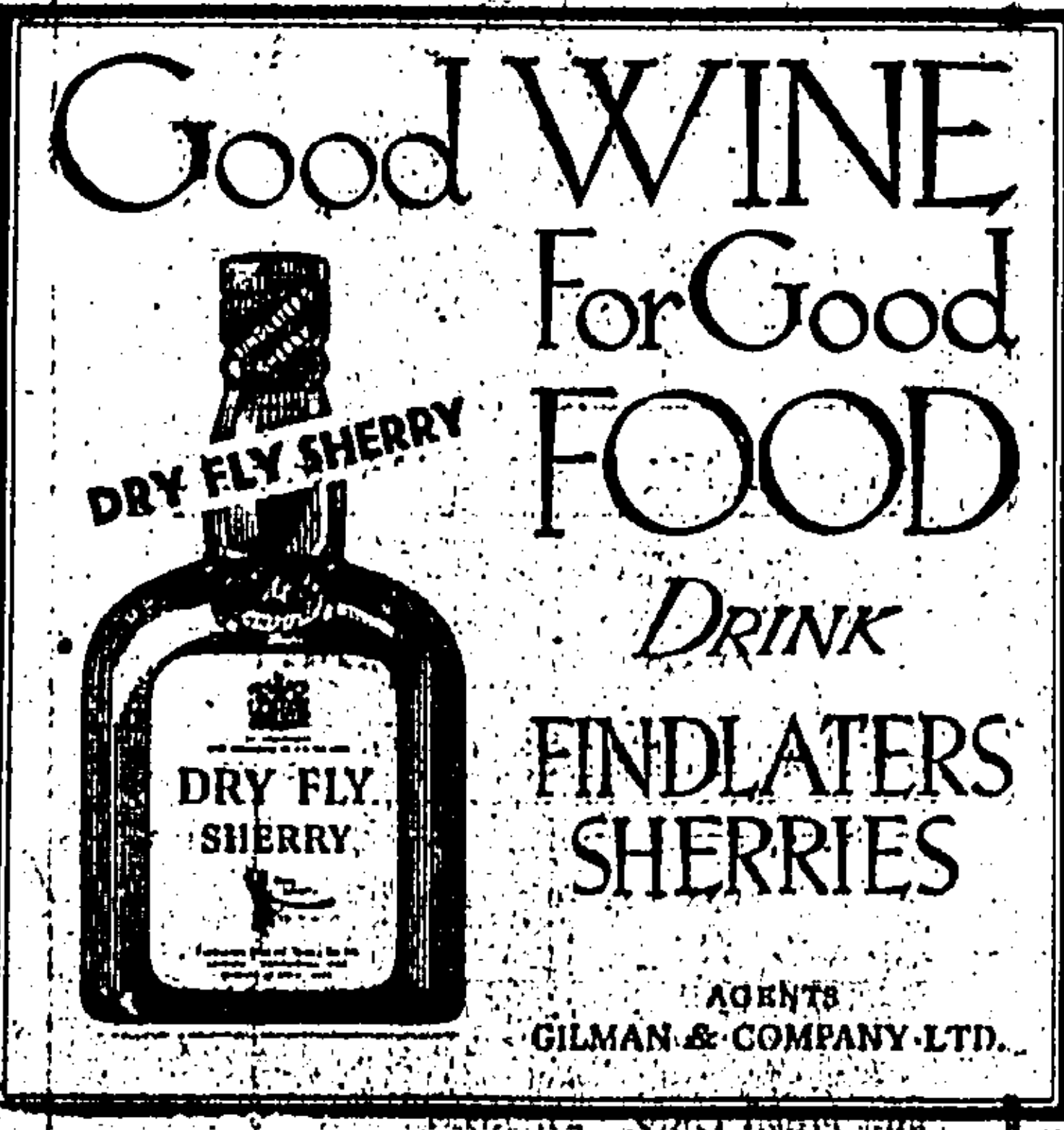
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Shanghai plagued by epidemic of robbery

Shanghai is being plagued with an epidemic of highway robbery, according to a report reaching here which said that more street patrols have been assigned to cope with the banditry.

Twenty-five hold-ups were reported in a two-week period, usually to bicycle riders, pedestrians or ricksha riders travelling at night in deserted areas.

Sometimes the highwaymen pose as special police checking identity certificates, produce guns and order the victim to fork over.

The Communists, never averse to making a dollar, have imposed a new fee on Shanghai residents for removing rubbish and refuse.

The fee will be charged against Government organs, schools, hospitals, market places, abattoirs, amusement resorts, hotels, business firms and shops. The fee averages \$1 per ton.

The Communists are not preventing Western films from being exhibited in Shanghai. Cinema advertisements in a newspaper reaching here listed "Desert Fury," "The Black Swan," "Men of Two Worlds," "When Ladies Meet" and "Californians" playing at city theatres.

There were also several Chinese films and "Michurin," which was described as a "Super-USSR production in Glorious Technicolor."

Told to work

The Shanghai "push-push" trade has been told by the Communist authorities to get out and go to work.

The "push-pushers" are gangs of coolies, of all ages, who congregate around the city's numerous hump-back bridges over Sochow Creek. Whenever a

ricksha comes along they help the ricksha coolies push their heavy load up the incline—for a fee—and then it coasts down the other side.

The number of these entrepreneurs has increased considerably in recent months, as thousands have been flocking in from the famine-stricken countryside in search of work. The public Security Bureau told them to get into some other line of endeavour.—United Press.

STRIKE TROUBLE IN OIL FIELDS

Caracas, May 5. Virtual martial law was enforced today in the Venezuelan oil fields, which have been strikebound since Wednesday by the worst walk-out of the past 14 years.

A military edict barred the huge fields, which make Venezuela the world's first oil exporter and second largest producer, to everyone not carrying special safe conduct passes. Military patrols were ordered to protect men wishing to work. Gatherings of more than three persons were banned in every community near the oil field installations. The Labour Ministry said no field was completely paralysed because the strike was only partial. However, reliable oil company sources said most fields were shut down.—United Press.

Weather havoc in America

Chicago, May 5. A violent mixture of tornadoes, thunderstorms and "baby blizzards" ripped at scattered sections of the United States today, killing three and leaving 88 injured.

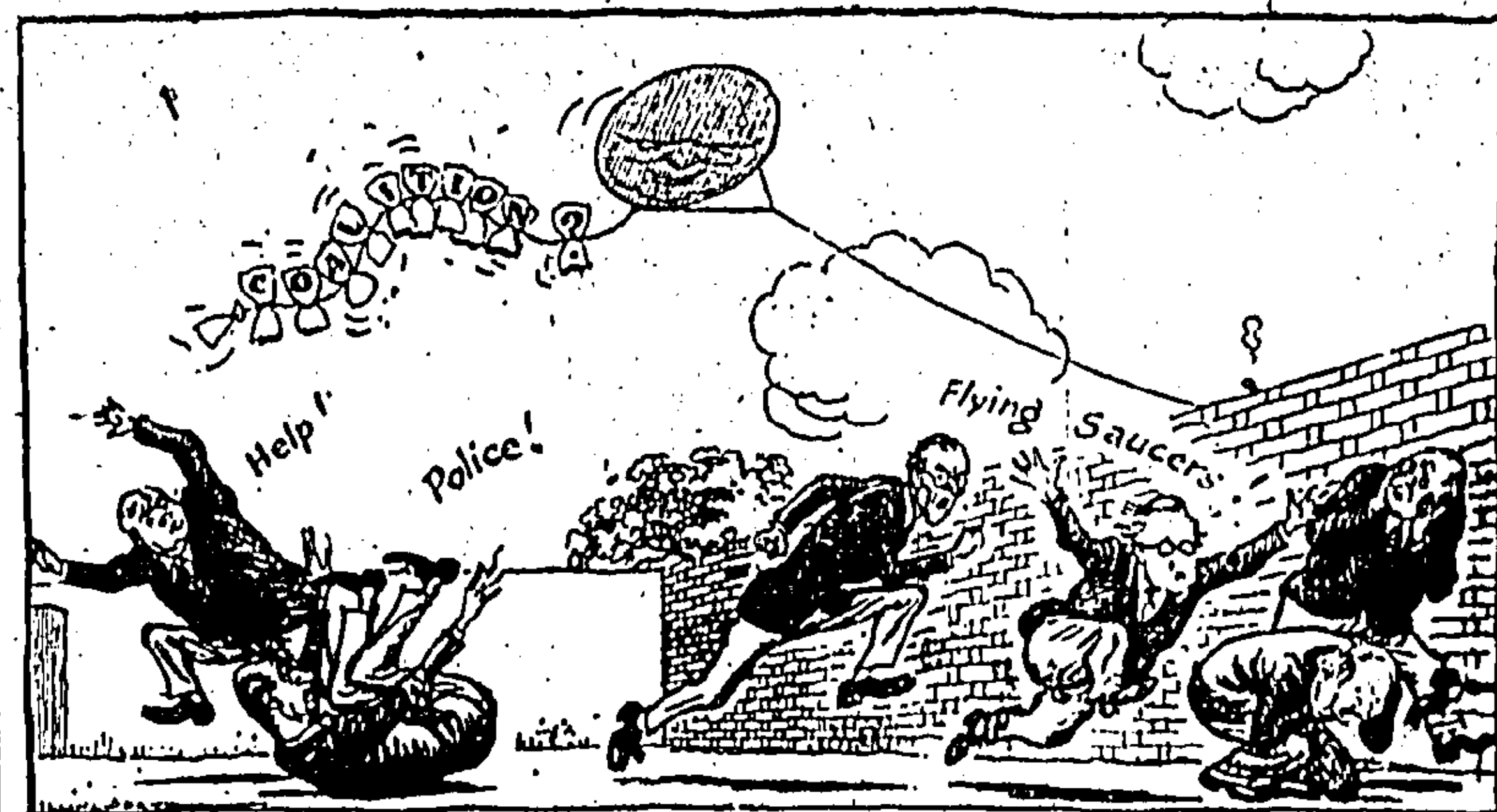
A stinging dust storm ate away the parched Kansas topsoil. Winds up to 60 miles an hour hurled dust across the countryside and toppled the walls of the fire-gutted Topeka Hotel. Weathermen said storm patches resulted from the collision of warm Southern air with a cool front from Canada.

Tornadoes killed one man and levelled homes at Galveston, Texas, and struck three Oklahoma towns and one town in Kansas. In Western Nebraska communities, six inches of snow blocked highways and caused the death of a woman. Winds of up to 84 miles an hour battered Iowa, killing a grocer.

Pittsburgh's flash floods and great bolts of lightning spread US\$500,000 worth of damage over the metropolitan area in one of the city's worst thunderstorms. At least 25 were injured by lightning that crashed into a tram, church, school and many homes. Another person, blinded by the driving rain, walked into an oncoming truck and was seriously injured.

Almost 100 families had their homes as flood waters swirled to four-foot depths in some sections. Nearly two inches of rain fell within 15 minutes.—United Press.

Bucharest, May 5. Rumania and the Mongolian People's Republic have established diplomatic relations, an official communiqué announced today.—United Press.



MASTER DESIGN TO COMBAT COMMUNISM

London, May 5.

The Big Three powers will try next week to sketch a master design against Communist aggression.

The Foreign Ministers of Britain, the United States and France will meet in London. The ideal outcome, it is felt here, would be a "Western" foreign policy to replace those of the individual nations—but that degree of unanimity is not altogether likely.

Preliminary talks in London in the past two weeks have made it plain, however, that the three countries feel they must move closer together if they are to win the cold war.

A Western source expressed the view that no spectacular project would come out of the meeting of Mr. Dean Acheson, Mr. Ernest Bevin and Mr. Robert Schuman. But policies set by the Western Allies as recently as a year ago are outdated. A new policy must be set in motion.

The West has won victories in Greece and in the general strengthening of Western Europe in the two and one half years since the Marshall plan was inaugurated. But the loss of China to the Communists, has at least counterbalanced these victories.

And Western observers agree that Russia is displaying more confidence in dealing with the West than could be observed a year ago.

This in turn has led to a feeling expressed by Mr. Acheson in recent speeches and echoed by British diplomatic inform-

ants—that it is useless to even attempt negotiation of the cold war until Russia can be shown that further aggression is impossible.

West determined

In previous Big Three sessions policies were chosen with one ear cocked for a Russian knock at the door and the view that no course should be chosen which might irritate the Russians.

This time a course may be set to let the Russians know firmly that the West is determined to protect its freedom.

Opponents of this developing policy describe it as dividing the world into two armed camps and say it will make a shooting war inevitable instead of preventing it.

The UN Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, may have had this in mind when he said a permanent split of the world into two camps could lead only to a third world war.

Mr. Acheson is to meet Mr. Schuman in Paris on Monday, and come to London on Tuesday for talks with Mr. Bevin before the three get together.

The U.S. Ambassador-at-large, Dr. Philip C. Jessup, who has been the senior American in the preliminary talks, will meet Mr. Acheson in Paris.

No concessions to Germany

Mr. Bevin, who recently underwent an operation, left the hospital only yesterday, but he has been kept informed about the interim progress.

The broad range of likely discussions is indicated by the list of American experts arriving here. On one day they included the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian and African Affairs, and specialists in German economic, West European, Far Eastern, British Commonwealth and UN affairs.

An informed Western source said it is unlikely that Germany will obtain any new concessions from the conference on the occupation statute, under which the powers of the West German Federal Republic are outlined, will not be revised before September, when it is due for review.

Great concern is shown in South East Asia—Indo-China,

Malaya and Burma—and the Philippines and Indonesia.

Aid for Indo-China

The collapse of the Nationalists in China has given new impetus to Communists throughout that area. It has given them a chance to exploit discontent and disorder.

The French will ask for American aid in Indo-China. They are likely to get it in some form, Western sources say.

These sources discount the idea that the West might sign a separate peace with Austria, pointing out that such a move would take Western occupation forces out of the country while leaving the Russians there.

The Big Three conference will be followed by a session of the North Atlantic Council, made up of the Foreign Ministers of the North Atlantic Pact nations.

Here, both Britain and the U.S. will seek more frequent meetings on a political level and possibly ask for establishment of a permanent office or secretariat to handle problems between meetings.—Associated Press.

YEMEN REQUEST TO BRITAIN

London, May 5.

The Government of the Yemen, an Arab kingdom bordering the Red Sea, had asked Britain to discuss three points affecting their relations, including a frontier dispute with the British protectorate of Aden, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

The talks will probably be held in London on June 20. They will cover the following points:

(1) Diplomatic representation. It is known that the Yemen does not consider suitable the present procedure of passing diplomatic communications through the Governor of Aden.

(2) The dispute which arose last August when the British Royal Air Force bombed a Yemen-built fort near the Aden frontier. Britain held the building of the fort to be a violation of the frontier.

(3) The possession of oil rights in the Shabwa area near the frontier, which Britain claims is in the Aden protectorate.—Reuters.

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Younger generation Australians predominate in this tripping which is regarded as the most remarkable in our history. University students, office clerks, stenographers are all eager to broaden their outlook, or they say, though like as not it is merely a natural urge to go while the going is good (or isn't it?). For many of these young people it has meant months of hard saving and the sacrifice of all simple pleasures, and in the majority of cases it also means the abandonment of good jobs and comfortable homes. Most realize they face an uncertain future abroad with no jobs or accommodation lined up, and language and currency difficulties, but experience and fun beckon and youth, like hope, has never hopeless been.

Ship accommodation to England has been booked out many months ahead and at the end of the European autumn 30,000 sea passengers are estimated to go to Australia. Since January, 1,000 have gone by air. But not all these overseas passengers are pleasure-seekers flocking to England now that spring is there. Many are business men anxious to complete transactions before the winter sets in and these snap decisions are made by the ones who rant and rave at the crowded booking schedules—the others just queue up for adventure.

Grain ships wanted

At long last and with some small local embarrassment the price has been fixed for last season's wheat crop being sold to Great Britain. But for the currency devaluation last September this would have been a routine transaction under International Wheat Agreement which fixes the price in terms of dollars although the deal is entirely in sterling. Thus the devaluation increased the sterling price-limits under the agreement by 44 per cent, and Australia thought that all she had to do was pick up the windfall. Not so the British Food Ministry, and quite understandably. The price range for wheat sold under the International Agreement is now 15/5 to 15/1 a bushel, and on the ground that free wheat was being sold outside the agreement at substantially higher prices, the Australian Wheat Board dug its toes in when Britain offered 14/5. Now, however, the parties have agreed on the compromise price of 15/3. This still leaves the Commonwealth holding the baby because we want to clear the wheat before the next harvest.

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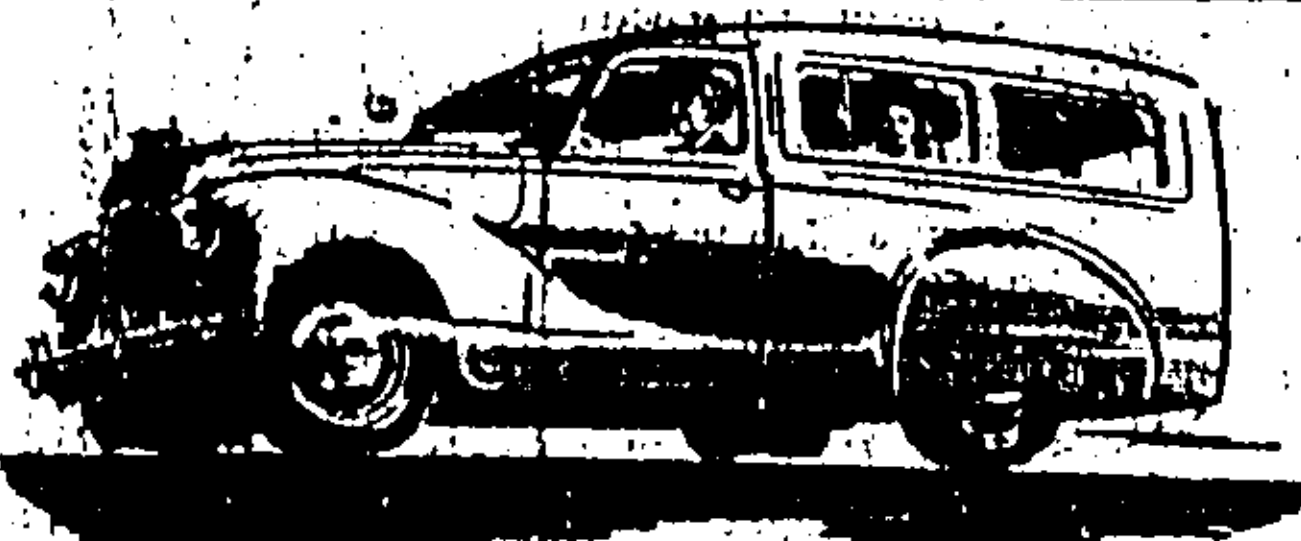
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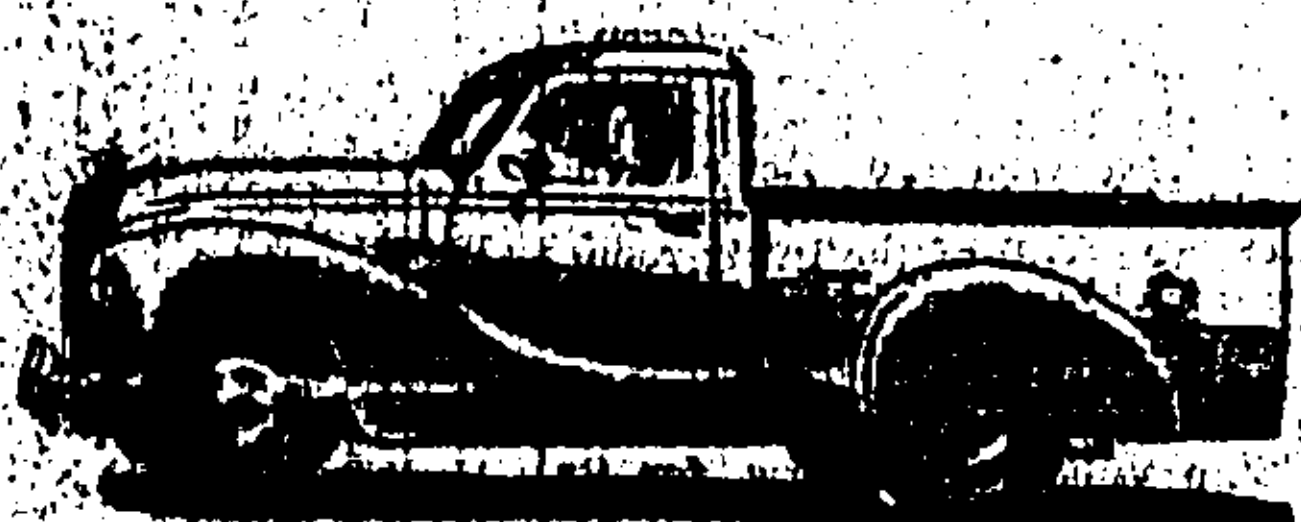


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AUSTRALIAN LETTER

and it looks as if Britain, well stocked from North America, will not require Australian wheat for her own use until the latter part of the year. With country storage capacity and terminal elevators stuffed to bursting, Australia's problem is to get the wheat moving before October when the new harvest begins. New shipping arrangements will involve over 60 sailings and, though this is primarily Britain's responsibility, Australia is bound to do a bit of agitating because of the storage embarrassment.

Building

Now that the powers that be have torn up the building restrictions, estate agents predict future sales of land will bring record prices. Day after the day has lifted £20,000 was passed over without any hanky-panky for 23 blocks of land in the Vaucluse area of Sydney, being the biggest price paid for land in the suburban area since the restrictions were enforced. Blocks of land in the past have brought rather low prices because buyers had not been able to get permits to build decent sized homes on them. However, builders say there will be no crop of mushroom mansions as it takes from one to two years to get material. Neither will the lifting of the ban help the small builder who these days is concentrating on home construction; those who benefit will be the wealthy who can afford luxury homes or flats, and the big builder who can pay for the materials to do such jobs.

Biggest project yet designed to provide accommodation nearer to what every dollar spender wants away from the farm, is the million pound luxury hotel to be conjured up at Clifton Gardens. With British interests providing £350,000 of the initial capital of £700,000 of the public company to be founded, the ready well, but sceptics are saying that at the present building rate and the anaemic condition of the pound their generation won't be needing a guide to traverse the dump.

Already it is locally known as the Sealtitz powder building because plans are for six storeys of 70 units each with bed sitting and bath rooms, BUT for American visitors only. Three stories eventually will be added to the existing hotel which is being given a face lift good enough for the natives. However, the jaunty ones may yet prove wrong, for the promoters claim to have all the steel and bricks they want sewn up, plus 60 enquiries from U.S. seeking suite bookings for August 1951 when the first batch of American ex-Servicemen and their families are expected for the re-union celebration. The new Clifton Gardens Hotel will have everything from a chapel to chloroplasts; everything, that is, but permanent guests, for steep rises in tariffs have followed the change over—in some cases by as much as 200 per cent and the switching "permanents" are all set to go walkabout.

Now the dollar hunt is on, the path may be cleared a little for gourmets in Sydney following the published mirth cum mangle of the American visitor who desired to try a glass of our vintage with a restaurant lunch. Ninety licensed restaurants there are in N.S.W., but that doesn't solve the problem of accommodating bon vivants all on account of a quaint little document called the Liquor Act which provides a horse laugh for the party that wants a glass of wine at luncheon. Our American can run right into trouble when he desired a glass of sherry: the Liquor Act has no time for aperitifs and legally, and very definitely for strangers, such are a no-can-do at a restaurant. Sad but sensible, the visitor decided upon an omelette and a glass of hock, to be told wine could not

be served with omelettes because the Liquor Act says wine in restaurants may only be served with fish or meats. Shrugging this off in favour of a medium done steak with salad and cheese to follow, he learns that wine can't be served with that unless accompanied by cooked vegetables. Exit. Armed with all the answers he orders steak, vegetables, apple pie and a glass of claret at another place. Alas for the liquor laws of N.S.W., a mere glass of wine cannot be served him; rules are the bottle must be opened at the table, and naturally charged for. To add further provocation for mayhem he learns that half bottles are in very short supply (current tactical refusal); moreover if he pays for a full bottle and only drinks a glass he may not, by law, take the rest of the bottle away with him. That explained for him the fur-pieces about the tables as parties move off, further enlightenment coming from his tailor who revealed that most men insist that their drapes be cut to camouflage cargo—in effect two-bottle suits are le d'ennemi for diners who drift from table to table.

Red band-waggon

It was there all right, though it was a barely perceptible glow which welcomed the Dean of Canterbury, Dr. Hewlett Johnson, when he arrived at Moscow en route for the Australian Peace Conference—a little bit of a corroboree that is being exploited by the Communists but on which the great majority has trained the nose of common sense. When Dean said that he thought Australia would be wise to recognize the new Communist Government of China, as she had nothing to gain by not doing so, he was reminded of his earlier warning that Australia was the most vulnerable country in the world, and further was reminded that Australia considered she had become a lot more vulnerable since the advance of Communism in China and South East Asia. As things stand there's not any likelihood of even a tiny pink party for the Red Dean, although it was an extremist who sent him a postcard saying the writer would like to see him assassinated before the High Altar of Canterbury Cathedral like Thomas à Beckett.

Breeding

For 4,000 guineas at the yearling sales, in Sydney they sold a golden colt with a tradition of courage that will earn respect wherever men gather, to talk about the horses they love. As this colt with the three white feet danced from the sale ring its pedigree revived memories of an epic of courage that forecasts great things for this son of Al Wessatt, the grandson of Hy-perion and of Ajax, from Chaperone whose story, this is, foaled in a snug green paddock between spans of the Great Dividing Range, on the property where the Thompson family of bloodstock breeders has made its home for more than 80 years, the more Chaperone was trained for the racetrack, ran six furlongs in one minute 10 seconds at Randwick, and to her owner looked a certainty for the 1951 Oakleigh Plate or the Newmarket Cup.

Perhaps both. Then one day Chaperone slipped and fell on the training track and her near shoulder was broken. And when that happens a horse can be shot.

However, veterinarian Norman Larkin, who was called in by the owner, knew the mare and how game she was, and moreover he knew his job very thoroughly. With a horseman's intuition he realised that the once temperamental and flighty mare, quiet and uncompromising in her adversity, was determined to live and

he felt he could save her. So Chaperone was put into a sling which took the weight of her body and where she stayed for months, never restive, always patient, glad to see the stud groom and nicking with pleasure with her owner made his daily rounds. Then came the big day when they took her out of the sling and Chaperone learnt to walk again, and all in good time a miracle was wrought and she was seen to enter.

Owner Frank Thompson wanted to keep such wonderful spirit permanently which meant he wanted foals out of Chaperone. On the vet's say-so that it was safe for the mare, she was mated with Al Wessatt, the young and fiery aristocrat from England. In due course the limping mare gave the lie to the croakers who declared she would never carry a foal, and this first-born gained his first honours when he topped the yearling sales at 4,000 guineas. The following season Chaperone had another foal—a filly by Brucaghel, but Frank Thompson will never sell her because a few weeks ago gallant Chaperone died, and from her filly Thompson plans to breed a thoroughbred family, and if each only shows some of the courage and endurance of Chaperone he will be satisfied.

Of this and that

Much has been written and more said about the coal situation which practically guarantees that the winter in capital cities this winter, there is talk of importing a 1,000,000 tons, a truly scandalous necessity, and even so officials keep before the public the need for power economy with a picture which represents nothing so much as a charcoal sketched Negro sitting in a black cat in a coal cellar on a dark night. Lamp vendors offer a much brighter picture, and house boots lined with lamb's wool are being bought in family lots. Winter is just round the corner, proof, the milkmen have gone into "longs" and as a nudge to lamp makers Sydney's power moguls have staged a few rehearsals of black-outs to come. Unkindest cut levelled at the power chiefs was the way the blackout man was put on the air "other morning" his place was introduced right in the middle of "It's All Over Town That You're Fooling Around." Returning to our milkmen, if the plans of the citrus growers flourish they will be delivering bottled orange juice alongside the cowpule in all parts of the Commonwealth.

Lorraine Stumm, who once did a spot of journalism in Singapore, has now settled down in her home State, Queensland, where she is running a one-woman newspaper in Surfers Paradise, makers from all parts of Commonwealth. Paper, which is for free per the milkman follows the link of the weekly sheets broadcast in Sydney suburbs as a local advertising medium. Notwithstanding the girlish charm little Lorraine has got more than that so cute fringe under her bonnet, and they're saying she'll soon be needing a trailer for the

Inside information

By Mercury

The proposed visit to Moscow of Dr. Gyorgy, the United Nations Secretary-General, will be a last attempt to keep the United Nations as an effective organisation for world peace.

Mr. Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State, will offer American aid to the people of China his next move in the cold war. He expects that Moscow will order the Communists to refuse it.

There will be more German goods in the British shops after June.

Spain has been secretly negotiating with a Soviet trade delegation in Paris, offering Spanish minerals in exchange for wheat. A trade agreement will be signed shortly.

British rum merchants have been trying to persuade the Italian Navy to drink grog.

Attacks on the Soviet Government by Spanish radio stations and their Russian language broadcasts have been discontinued. Broadcasters are instructed to limit themselves to cultural subjects.

The Foreign Office is in no hurry to take up Egyptian proposals for treaty revision and withdrawal of British troops from the Canal Zone. A Mediterranean policy agreement between Britain and the U.S. would first be necessary.

Mr. Devlin believes that a new Anglo-Egyptian treaty would not pass this House of Commons.

Recognition by Egypt of the State of Israel is one of Mr. Devlin's aims. The Suez blockade will not be lifted until the oil for the Haifa refinery could then be raised.

Egypt is disconcerted by the policy of the Foreign Office towards the Arab States, and wants her leading position in the Arab League to be recognised.

Expect a second British car show in the United States to be contracts she bags as she saunters around the seaside town.

Madeline, lovely daughter of the Geoffrey Archbuts, who took her first peep at the big wide wonderful world in Hong Kong catches the spot-light even amongst Sydney's breath-taking lovelies. Family ganyah is at Bellevue Hill. Co-ees are being sent out by BOAC's stations manager who is in Sydney, and trying to get the wave length of a crowd he hasn't seen for some time. One Jones—Bernard T. who once worked with BOAC in London and Hong Kong, served with the RAAF, and then faded. If he can be located he can get in touch with visitor Ruston through BOAC.

stayed in Los Angeles in June following the success of the New York venture.

U.S. Congressmen, impressed by the de Havilland Comet's performance, are pressing for large subsidies to speed up U.S. production of jets.

Six Czechoslovak pilots, who served with the RAF in the war, have escaped and are training with the RAF again in Southern Rhodesia.

A new Soviet political chief, Postkrebyshev, is becoming powerful in the Kremlin. Chief of Stalin's personal chancellery, he has charge of the secret records and conduct sheets of all Soviet leaders.

The Cabinet is examining a plan for a supreme British Chief of Staff to co-ordinate the defence meetings of the three Services. The new chairman will be an Army appointment.

Irish extremists are preparing to boycott the 1951 Festival of Britain.

Ambassador Ciampi leaving London to become Yugoslav deputy Foreign Minister, will specialise on improving relations with the Western Powers.

The Board of Trade is officially downgrading the importance of Argentina as an export target for British goods. Argentina has run short of hard currency, and Britain is a long way ahead in her policy of switching to other meat suppliers.

The first shipment of beef from the Government's collective farm at Peakdown, in Queensland, Australia, will be sold in Britain before Christmas.

Scotland Yard Chiefs have recommended the imports of American crime magazines should be drastically curtailed.

King Farouk of Egypt has sent three large baskets of flowers to Mr. Bevin in hospital.

Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-tung's ban on use of the English language in banking and commerce will be followed by a decree to use Russian as the principal foreign language.

A badge for Germans expelled from the new Polish territory is being mass-produced in Western Germany.

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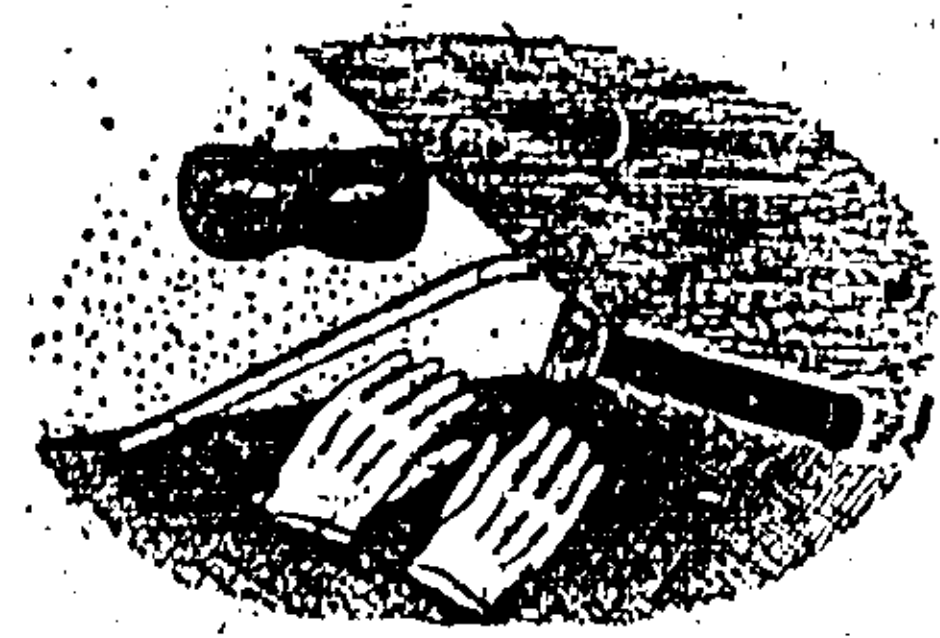
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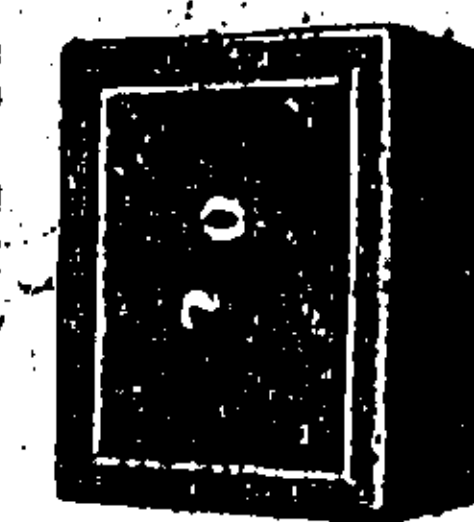


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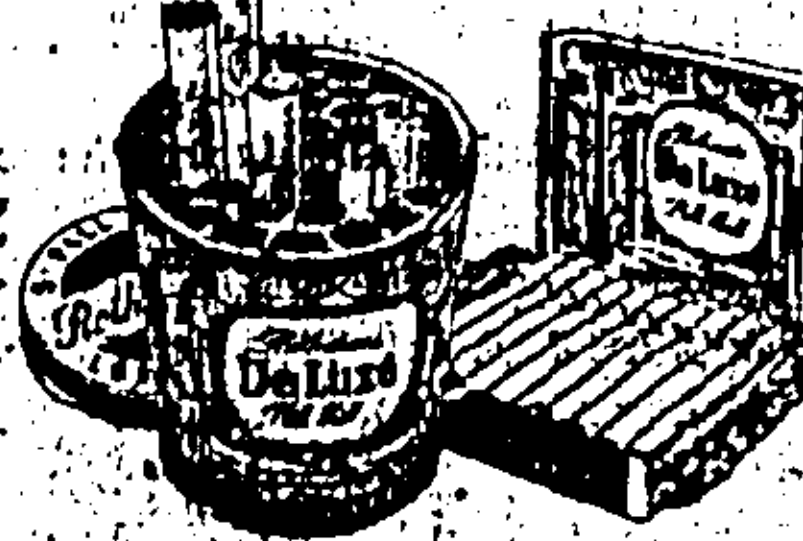
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ANTONIO—To Marie, wife of P. E. Antonio at St. Theresa's Hospital, a daughter.

NEW MARRIAGE LAW

Three thousand years have shown that it takes a long time and much effort to change China and the Chinese. That is especially true of the family and social system—one of the most comprehensive and detailed ever known. The new Chinese Marriage Law is now to be applied. It replaces the age-long system which Peking described as "savage and backward," and will thus make possible "new social relations and morality." The law abolishes polygamy and concubinage, child marriages and child betrothals, and gives women full equality. Men may marry at 20 and women at 18, and no third persons may interfere, and women have the right to retain their own names if they so wish. Widows will be free to re-marry. The marriage relationship may not be used as a pretext for the exaction of property. Legal rights are guaranteed for mothers and children. Divorce is permitted by mutual consent. When only one party wants it, the People's Court must first try to bring about a reconciliation. The maintenance of the children after divorce follows the principles common in the West. That is in fact true of the greater part of the new law.

The new law is notable in history only because it makes a break in one of the most tenacious as well as the oldest of social systems. Reformers have frequently railed against many of the abuses which the age-long practices in China developed. Criticism came both from the humanitarian, and from those who were hurt in their pride by the feeling that so many of these things were old and out of date. In matters so fundamental calendars are not always applicable. The family and social system which Confucius analysed and transcribed in detail ranked as one of the greatest monuments of mankind. Its holding power was immense. It preserved the race through all the centuries of peace and war, tumult and anarchy. If the new law maintains this quality while removing the admitted abuses it will justify itself. The responsibility belongs to the people, and greater freedom adds to it.

The Chinese Revolution has been called a revolution by consent, unlike the Japanese reforms, decreed and enforced from above. Efforts are now being made to change the process. Yet effectiveness still depends on consent. The Civil Code was but one of the innumerable laws that poured from the Legislative Yuan in its heyday under Hu Han-min. They were of little more effect than the Hundred Days of Kwang Hsu. But among the educated people and the urban population changes have been going on for years in line with the new reforms. The problem of enforcement relates to the countless villages which make up the main body of Chinese life. There it is that the ancient way of life is most stubborn.

The People's Government has shown, in a statement on the ratification of the new law, that it realises how gradual must be the process of acceptance. It has called upon all Party members first to study the new law, and then to explain it to the people.

PRESIDENT MARCHES ON

President Truman last month finished his fifth year in office, an event expected by few before November, 1948. It is widely anticipated that he will be a candidate in 1952 and that, barring accidents he will be elected.

That is the dominating feature of the present American political landscape. It reflects not only the prestige gained for the President by his incredible victory of 1948, but the apparent failure of the Republicans to recover from the demoralisation that befell them when they managed, despite all the oracles, to "snatch defeat from the jaws of victory."

A complacent Administration, a divided, rancorous, bewildered Opposition. That is the first political impression that Washington makes on the visitor.

There are grounds for the impression. It is more and more realised that the only accidental thing in Mr. Truman's career was his nomination for the Vice Presidency in 1948. All the rest was, if not planned, at least powerfully aided by Mr. Truman's remarkable political talents which few, since 1948, are inclined to underestimate.

Shrewd adroit leader

In private and in public, one is told that he is a shrewd politician than Mr. Roosevelt was and, often by the same people, that he is a better New Dealer, more devoted to the cause of the common man.

That he is a most adroit politician is evident. In a world and a nation bewildered by the impact of forces beyond comprehension or control, President Truman does more than express the feelings of the average man. He feels them; he is the average man.

The Democrats have been luckier than they could possibly have known in having, as a successor for the overweighing FDR, so admirable a foil. "God and the people hate a cheery man," said a great boss, a generation ago. Mr. Truman, unlike Governor Dewey and a good many others, is not a cheery man, and that is a great asset.

It is also a handicap. For Mr. Truman is representative in another sense. He is not much less bewildered in the world than the average voter. There are, of course, two important differences. He has far better sources of information, far more competent judgments available than the average voter; and he has far better nerves.

If he is jittery, he does not show it. For him, it is not for the best in the best of all possible worlds. It would be if the Russians would only be reason-

Bi-partisan policy

If the West shows that it is the stronger, surely the Politburo will follow the old American machine maxim, "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em." So build up the West, restore (with whatever personal suppression of strong

By

Denis W. Brogan

dislikes) the bi-partisan policy by the appointment of Mr. Cooper and Mr. Dulles, loosen the purse-strings a little in the matter of armaments and all will be well outside, as all is well inside the United States.

Of course, all is not well inside America for lots of people. There is a big pool of unemployment, or rather, a series of pools, not yet connecting—and this in a boom year. Coal is being priced out of its markets and some miners (more every year) are permanently unemployed. So with some textile areas; so with shipping. And the height of the farm boom has passed.

As some cotton-growers discovered recently, it is possible to lose money even in the flush times of high prosperity and Government support. More important crops than onions are threatened. Then, as American ingenuity, stimulated by high labour costs, invents more and more ingenious ways of saving wages by the use of machines, by what are called, inaccurately, "labor-saving devices," the threat of technological unemployment grows. And each year hundreds and hundreds of thousands of new high school and college graduates enter the labour market. It is already "too old at 40" for many highly capable and skilled workers.

Republican failure

But it is unlikely that these spots in the sun will, except in the case of the farmers, do much to weaken the Democrats. All Republican attempts to persuade the workers that "Coddlin's friend, not Short" have failed. True, organised labour has got more words than deeds from the Administration. The Taft-Hartley strikes have been far from unqualified successes.

The 81st Congress doesn't differ, in results very much from the infamous 80th that Mr. Truman denounced so powerfully and so profitably in 1948. The Negroes have not got much out of the Administration either. But that may not hurt Mr. Truman. He

can lay the blame, with some justice, on the Republicans and the Dixiecrats, and he has the same old issues in hand for use at this year's congressional elections.

That he intends to fight on the radical side may be inferred from his veto of the Kerr Natural Gas Bill that would have exempted "independent producers" from federal regulation. It must have pained him to do this, for the gas and oil producers were generous "angels" for the Democrats in 1948.

But the masses in the great cities have more votes, and President Truman has defended them against the "interests." In sentiment and, in occasional action, the Administration can still dramatise itself as the defender of the plain people of whom, as Lincoln once noted, God had made so many.

Easy success

It is natural that the Republicans should resent all this easy success and that they have desperation by the sight of triumph. For it must be remembered that to Republicans born in the 19th century (as Senator Taft was) there is something wrong in a Democrat being in the White House, no matter what he does.

Added to this demoralisation caused by five successive presidential defeats and you have the explanation of the toleration of the antics of Senator McCarthy, not only by men of the same mind like Messrs. Wherry and Bridges, but by people like Mr. Taft. Attacks that, had they come from "Pravda," would have been considered as scandalous, are applauded when they come from a fairly recent Democratic like Senator McCarthy who, being highly vulnerable himself has turned to patriotism as a sure shield.

The Republicans still hope that something will turn up or that the rural American shocked (despite Dr. Kinsey's famous Report) by the discovery that some homosexuals have been discovered in the State Department, will think that this scandal justifies the mud slung by the bucket at Mr. Acheson, Mr. Jessup, Mr. Lattimore and any other public servant who is not sound on "saving China," i.e., saying what is left of the Kuomintang.

They are probably miscalculating here. The Administration may fight back by investigating the "China lobby" so amply supplied by funds that came, so some think, from the bounty of Uncle Sam. If Madame Chiang Kai-shek is really active in the cause, she may learn that she is no longer Public Sweetheart Number One in America.

PARADISE IN ATOM-LAND

Britain is suffering from serious casualties among her top-ranking atom Scientists.

But these atom-busters are not being killed by the atomic pile at Harwell, Berkshire. They are being irresistibly drawn towards the atomic pile at Chalk River, Canada.

The latest casualty is Dr. H. Carmichael, of Caltech and Cambridge University. He came to work temporarily in Canada under the Anglo-Canadian exchange scheme, and now he is staying in Canada permanently.

Every mother in Britain would understand this decision if she could see the paradise in atom-land where Canada's atom-busters and their families live.

This is Deep River, the most modern village in the world, where the villagers have organised for themselves probably the most delightful life enjoyed anywhere in the British Empire.

Keeping it dark

No guidebooks boast Deep River as another Hawaii. The villagers speak of the beach, and

as to make it known and willingly implemented by every single household. The law must be applied in a serious, careful, reasonable and responsible frame of mind. Old custom is a great force in the village. Disillusionment has already begun to affect the peasantry, and added care will be necessary in changing practices so deeply rooted in the age-long past. The task is described as one of the most important of all for the present time—and for a long time to come.

Special regulations may be applied in the case of minority races, but in the case of the descendants of the Han patience will fare better than rash impetuosity—like that of the youthful Tangu in the North after the Nationalist Revolution. These zealots tried to bring the revolution to the villages by demolishing the village gods—and were forced to flee incontinently from the wrath they invoked. The new law is a landmark in reform rather than in revolution, but even so its enforcement must depend upon peace and order, not upon compulsion.

don't, as they could, call it Paradise Beach, because they don't want to attract tourists.

But millions of families travel long distances each year to take their children to enjoy holidays which are not as much fun as the daily life at Deep River.

Four years ago the Canadian Government decided to build houses for the scientists working at the atomic energy board project at Chalk River.

So out of the virgin forest on the bank of the broad Ottawa River a new village was born.

It is miles from anywhere, so had to be self-contained, with its own shopping centre, church, school, hospital and theatre.

Each of its 400 modern homes houses one scientist and his family. The 200 unmarried scientists and clerical workers live in the staff hotel.

The average family has two or three children, which is probably fewer than the number of university degrees held by the average father.

For all tastes

With all these brains in the village, it is not surprising that they have organised an imaginative community and home life. They run 34 clubs, covering every possible hobby and interest from dramatics to fishing, from badminton to carpentry.

The villagers record 95 per cent participation in these community activities compared with the North American average of 10 per cent.

In fact, whereas the average Canadian goes to the cinema once a week, or to a night club if he lives in a big city, the average Deep Riverer only visits his home one night a week.

In the summer outdoor life centres around the lovely white sandy beach where there is safe bathing for swimmers of whom 175 learned to swim last year and wonderful sailing for the old folk (or when more than 100 own a sailing boat, major boat races are held).

the winter carnival, presided over by the world's only atomic snow queen.

Tea and toast

There is a large British contingent in Deep River. In the standing exactly on an old Red Indian camp site, the chorus of Canadian voices ordering coffee and doughnuts is liberally sprinkled with sprightly English accents asking for "tea and toast, please miss."

Surprisingly, the wives from Harwell are the most energetic and enthusiastic devotees of Deep River's clubs, and their husbands don't lag behind in the equally energetic and enthusiastic domestic inventiveness of the Canadian scientists.

Mary Hall says that her husband and his neighbours spend their spare time designing better radiograms. Mrs. Bayley has a home-made electric floor polisher, and will soon have an electric dish-washer.

The only snag about Deep River, says Mary Hall, is the risk of getting "bushed" of becoming too accustomed to the free and easy, trouser-wearing, open air, informal life.

'Just wonderful'

"Housekeeping doesn't take half the time here that it does in Britain," Edinburgh-born Mrs. Carmichael told me in her attractive home. "And life here is just wonderful for the children."

"You bet it is," chimed in 11-year-old Dugald, her eldest who had just won the Deep River junior speedboat championship.

On the wall of the living room, comfortably furnished in Canadian maple, I noticed a stag's head, shot by Dr. Carmichael in the surrounding forest.

The village is famous for its healthy, happy children, and its comfortable, labour-saving homes. The one fear of British wives in Canada—of being taken ill, with no relatives near at hand to help—is banished by the "good neighbourliness" of the congenial villagers.

These happy young scientists don't believe that our world will be blown apart by atom bombs. And they are backing that belief by making up a birth-rate, which is more than four times the Canadian average.

CONTRASTS IN EUROPE

By Eric Bourne

There is always a sense of relief when you slip over the border from post-war Germany into Switzerland.

It is "goodbye" to the sinister reminders—still evident on all hands—of Germany's war and the aftermath of defeat; "goodbye" to the atmosphere of occupation; "goodbye" to uncomfortable signs of a new German arrogance and a new nationalism.

So it was the other week when I drove 1,500 miles from Frankfurt to Belgrade—from beaten but resurgent Germany to Yugoslavia which shared in the Allied victory and three years later showed it feared the Russians no more than it had feared the Germans.

And in between, Switzerland, a pocket of peaceful development in a turbulent Continent, and Italy, hovering dangerously near the brink of civil war.

No "ISMS"

Crossing from Germany into Switzerland is to enter another world.

Each village and town is a reminder of the ordered middle-class—a progressive middle-of-the-roadism, if you like—which the Swiss have contrived to cherish while the rest of Europe has twice in a century been convulsed with destructive wars.

In many ways, the Swiss were as rigorously rationed as the British in the last war. There were moments when it seemed impossible that German invasion could be avoided.

But the moments passed and, while countries were tumbling in defeat and others suffered damage as crippling through occupation, the Swiss preserved their own extraordinarily democratic method of government by popular consent, and their prosperity.

For the Swiss, "parish pump" politics are far more important than national or international issues. Conservatism, Socialism or any other-ism means less than in any other European State. Government is broadly by agreement among the parties, who are all represented in the cantonal and federal administrations.

In Zurich I slept in a house built by a Socialist building cooperative with municipal grants at a time when a non-Socialist majority was in power throughout the canton. That estate was a model of what council house-building should be.

Common sense

Swiss women do not have the vote and in some of the smallest States the custom of the Middle Ages survives, with the men meeting yearly to enact laws and appoint an administration.

Behind the times, you say. But the amazing thing is that few Swiss women resent this male monopoly. Most you speak to are quite happy to keep out of politics.

Even for the male legislators it is not all plain-sailing. Every expenditure above 250,000 and all new laws must be submitted to a referendum. Last year, for example, all parties supported a federal health Bill decreeing compulsory X-ray examinations for all citizens. The measure was carried unanimously by Parliament, but was contemptuously turned down at a national referendum—men only—by a majority of six to one!

Besides all this commonsense government, with its accompanying prosperity, Switzerland has its natural, breath-taking beauty to commend it. Does one ever lose the thrill of emerging into the

grandeur of Southern Alps from the 13 minutes' darkness of the Gothard tunnel?

Into Italy

And so into Italy and across the diligently-cultivated Northern plain, past the dreaming lakes of Como and Garda, to Venice.

Here, on the approach road to the city, we ran smack into the tragic division of modern Italy—where the Communists are exploiting the legitimate cry for work from thousands who still look patiently, though bitterly, to the Government to do something about it.

Along the whole length of the road stood columns of jeeps carrying heavily-armed police, with lorry-borne light guns and armoured cars—and their nerves. For eight hours all traffic was halted outside the closed city. Shots were fired when several thousand demonstrators, whose complaints was that they had not been paid for several weeks, refused to dismantle a barricade and disperse.

Two workers were killed and five wounded. Police were injured by stones.

By the time traffic was allowed into Venice again, a general strike was on. Hotels and restaurants were shut, canal services suspended.

Before we turned back for Treviso, we chatted with a garage hand at an idle service station. He was bitter about all the political parties.

"For so many Italians" he said, "there is no work, although the Government is spending millions in Somalia. Even if wages were low, some work would be better than all this strife. People would at least live and feel there would be a meal tomorrow. As it is, where is our country going? Left and Right, they offer us words—politics and words, words, words, when all we want is regular work."

Life in Trieste

The busy tranquillity of Trieste, where 5,000 British and 5,000 American troops, aided by 5,000 Trieste police, are the guarantee of order and security in this Adriatic flashpoint between Italy and Yugoslavia, was a welcome contrast.

The police were trained by officers of London's Metropolitan force and wear the Metropolitan blue. First sight of them gives you a momentary feeling that somehow you have been spirited back into London.

Like the British police, they are unarmed—the only two unarmed police forces in Europe today. Both look like the more impressive and capable for us.

Triestines make jokes about the size of the force, but for the moment the city can afford it. Marshall Aid has brought a substantial measure of revival and prosperity to the port. Last year, Trieste received the largest per capita rate of R. P. dollars aid among all the participating nations, and the shipyards are busy now building nearly 70,000 tons of E. R. P. shipping.

A big majority of the population (250,000) welcome the presence of the Allies. Few are sorry that Yugoslavia and Italian Italy agree over a government for a whole Free Territory has abandoned their unobtrusive stay.

But in the meantime, with the negotiations between Count Sforza and Marshal Tito and the latest Russian moves, the situation is tense, and on what will happen next no Trieste daries or cares to speculate.

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ANTI-COMMUNIST FEELING SURGING ACROSS GERMANY

Indignation over fate of missing prisoners

Bonn, May 5.

Anti-Communist feeling surged across West Germany today as the stunned populace realised the full import of Russia's announcement that all German prisoners of war have been returned.

The Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, bitterly charged that 1,500,000 Germans—including tens of thousands of deported civilians—are still missing in the Soviet Union.

He demanded, in the name of humanity, that the Kremlin account for their fate. The Chancellor made a special appearance before the West German Parliament.

The Russian announcement plunged hundreds of thousands of German homes into mourning unparalleled since the last days of the war. It also brought forecasts from West German leaders that the Russians had spelled the end of the Communist Party in Germany.

KOREA ASKS U.S. PLANES

Washington, May 5.

Korea appealed to the United States today for a shipment of war planes as soon as possible.

Mr. Sue Sun Kim, the Korean Charge d'Affaires, made the request to the Assistant U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Rusk.

Later Mr. Kim told reporters that Korea wants both fighters and training planes.

"The time factor is very important," he said.

He estimated the Russian-controlled North Korean Government has from 180 to 200 airplanes, "whereas we have not too many—a few dozen."

Mr. Kim said that if the State Department approved, he thought the planes could be bought with part of the \$11,000,000 the U.S. Congress recently approved for military aid to his country.—Associated Press.

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South African outlawing of Communism

Capetown, May 5.
A Government bill to outlaw Communist organisations in South Africa had its first reading in Parliament here today.

Under its terms Communist and certain other organisations may be declared unlawful by proclamation of the Governor-General.

The bill provides for imprisonment up to five years for contraventions.

The bill also provides for the banning of any periodical or publication professing by name or otherwise being a publication for promoting the spread of Communism.—Reuter.

Moluccas proving difficult

Jakarta, May 5.

The Indonesian Government's "peace negotiator" Dr. D. J. Lelimen, back from the self-declared Republic of South Moluccas, said today that the new Republic would negotiate only on condition it was recognised as a sovereign nation.

He told Reuters at the Celebes port of Macassar that he did not dare land at Ambon, South Moluccas, for fear of the physical consequences.

He visited it in an Indonesian corvette but stayed only an hour.

The new Ambon Republic had sent out a messenger stating that they would only negotiate with the Federal United States of Indonesia on terms as a sovereign nation.

"As all peaceful means have been exhausted, it is up to the government to rule and keep the country clear of anarchy," he said.

An Indonesian Defence Ministry spokesman here said today that any military action against Ambon would probably take the form of a starvation blockade aimed at causing internal dissension within the new Republic.

Indonesian troops on Ambon Island, the second greatest Netherlands Indies naval base at the outbreak of World War II, rebelled against the Indonesian Federal Government on April 26.

The Moluccas were a Residency in the Netherlands East Indies before sovereignty was transferred to the Republic of the United States of Indonesia.—Reuter.

Under these provisions all Ministers of the Dominion of India before last January 26 continued as members of the President's Council until the appointment by the President of a new Council of Ministers under the Constitution.

The resignations were to enable the President to form a new Council of Ministers and thus give effect to the normal provisions of the Constitution, the communique added.

A communique said that Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, India's last Governor-General, had been invited to join the Cabinet and that it is hoped he will agree to do so.

The Finance Minister, Dr. John Mathai, who had expressed a desire not to continue in office has agreed to remain in office till the end of this month, the communique said.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, the Food and Agriculture Minister, and Mohanlal Saksena, the Minister of State for Rehabilitation, had agreed to continue in office till alternative arrangements are made, the communique added.

Mr. C. Biswas, a former Judge of the Calcutta High Court, joined the present four Ministers of State who are not members of the Cabinet.

The full list of the new Council of Ministers, which will be sworn in tomorrow morning, follows: Cabinet Ministers: Prime Minister—Pandit Nehru; Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Dr. John Mathai, Sardar Baldev Singh, Jagji Van

Ram, Rafi Ahmad Kidwai, Amul Kaur, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, N. W. Gadgil, Sir N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, Jairamdas Daulatram, H. K. Mahatab, and K. M. Munshi. Ministers of State: C. Biswas, Mohanlal Saksena, K. Santhanam, R. R. Diwakar, S. N. Sinha.

Two Deputy Ministers, Dr. B. V. Keskar and Khurshed Lal, will continue in office.—Reuter.

Prolonged strikes in the rubber factories of Michelin at Bergougnan at Clermont-Ferrand in Central France are hampering French car production.

The Citroen factory is now delivering new cars only to buyers who can provide their own tyres. The Peugeot plant has stopped production of one of its models and is delivering another without a spare wheel. Cars for export have not yet been affected.—Associated Press.

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VIOLATIONS OF BALTIC BY RUSSIAN NAVY

London, May 5.

Sweden and possibly Denmark are prepared to join the United States and Britain in asking Russia why Soviet ships and warplanes seem to act as if international waters are Russian lakes.

Recent clashes between Western craft and Soviet patrols in the Baltic and White seas spurred growing speculation that the Russians are expanding secret military installations in those areas.

Baltic refugees claim that the Russians are especially active on the Latvian coast, where Russian planes fired on a four-engined United States plane, believed to be the missing Navy "Privateer."

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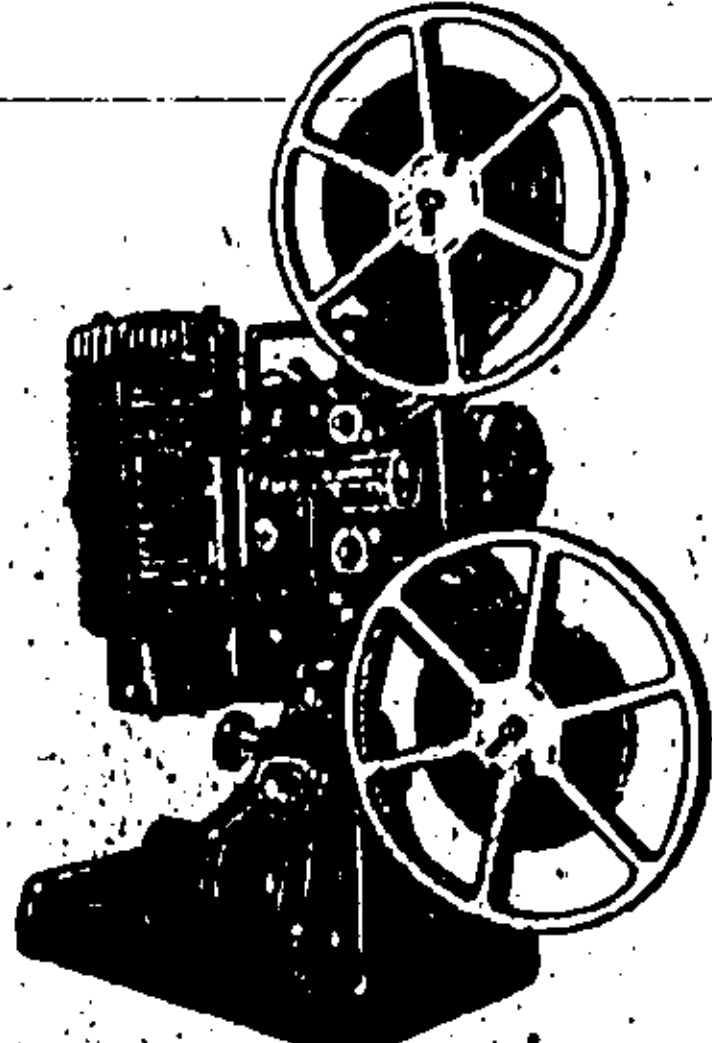
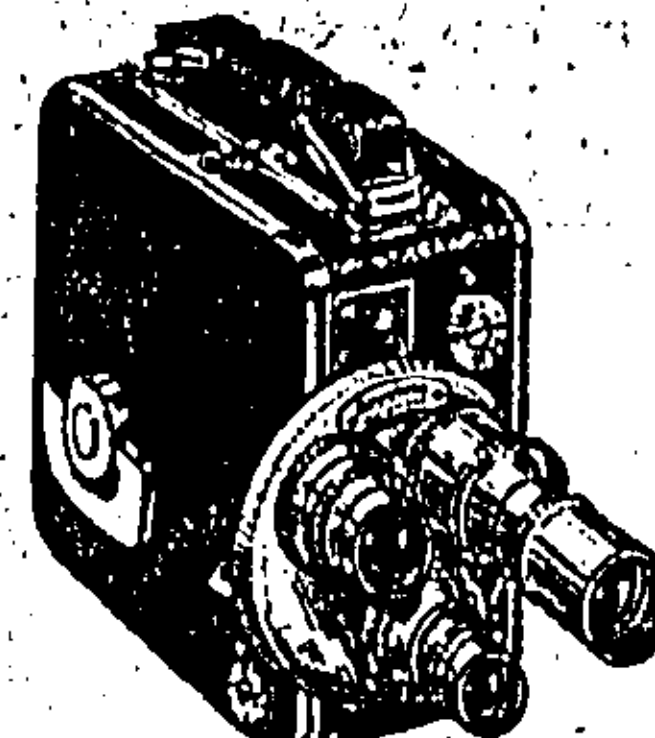
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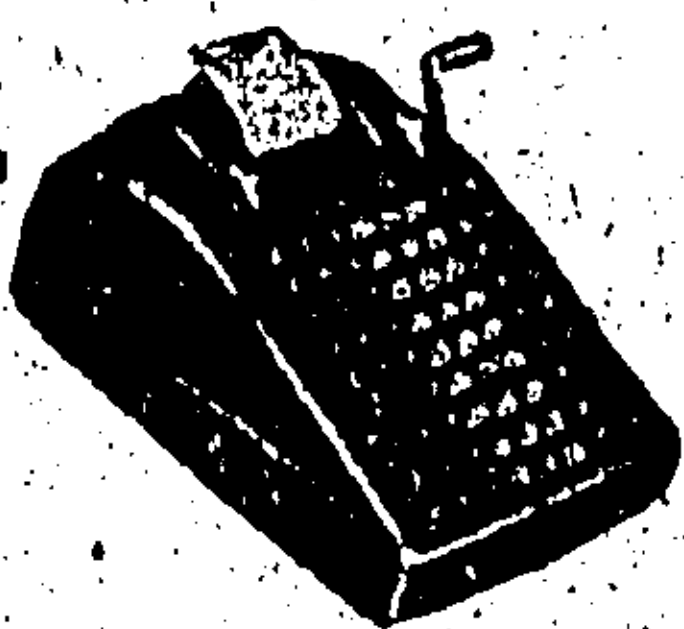
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BRITAIN TAKES FIRM STAND ON TRADE MENACE

Washington, May 5.

Britain cannot countenance her economic recovery being prejudiced by any measures which might result from raising Western German and Japanese economic potential.

Stating this here today, a British official said, that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is expected to inform the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, of this during the coming talks in London.

Britain cannot afford to see British production being undersold by Western German and Japanese production in world markets, the official added, as any setback in economic recovery for Britain would seriously undermine Britain's position in assuming her present worldwide responsibilities.

The lifting of further industrial controls on Western German and Japanese economy might give those nations a trade export advantage over Britain due to their lower wages and longer hours of work.

Mr. Bevin will be adamant if the United States delegation should propose any relaxation of the present Western German shipping controls.

ECA sources said that they have received letters written in vague terms from United States manu-

facturers with British subsidiaries complaining about developing German and Japanese trade competition.

They declined to reveal the names of the firms involved but said one is a manufacturer of light steel products.

They believe that the letters so far received have been mild in tone, mostly because the firms concerned were embarrassed to complain about competition in view of the United States Government effort to put the German economy on its feet and make it self-supporting.

Textile trade

However, they said, the Japanese appear to be making inroads into the British textile trade in some South American countries while Germany is making a strong bid for former British markets there.

The sources contended, "The British must expect more competition. Many of their sales since the war have been made solely because of the absence of German and Japanese competition. As Germany and Japan revive naturally they will seek to regain some of their pre-war markets."

British trade circles here said that while it is undoubtedly true that competition is to be expected, there are some cases in which it might not be in the best interests of the Western world as a whole.

For example, if Japan sells locomotives to South Korea in return for Korean rice, this means not only that the British locomotive works lose an order but the rice involved goes to feed a former enemy nation instead of the people of Ceylon or other Sterling area countries where it might be more urgently needed.

They point to this as evidence that when trade changes hands it does not affect two primary competitors alone but secondary markets as well.—United Press.

WEIZMANN ON CO-OPERATION WITH ARABS

Jerusalem, May 5.

The President of Israel, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, in a speech here today said that he looks forward to the time when the peoples of Israel and those of the Arab countries will co-operate in peace and harmony.

Perhaps, he said, the day when this occurred, and the two nations contributed to the establishment of flourishing countries, would come sooner than the enemies of peace think.

Dr. Weizmann made this comment in a message he sent in connection with the 25th anniversary of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

"We laid the foundation stone of the University in 1918," he said. "We also laid the foundation for the house that has not yet been built—Jewish-Arab friendship."—Reuter.

OEEC needed for SE Asia

London, May 6.

The "Manchester Guardian" said in an editorial today that an organization similar to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation is urgently required for South East Asia.

The forthcoming Commonwealth conference in Sydney must plan spectacularly and not spread its aid too widely or too thinly so that resulting operations lack dramatic vividness.

It added that the Sydney conference would include discussions on enlarging India's steel industry and expansion of oil refining in South East Asia.

"The conference is likely to lead to other conferences, but they will achieve little if they do not capture the imagination of the educated classes of South Asia," the editorial declared.—United Press.

GERMANS MOBBED IN N.Y.

New York, May 5.

A small group of youngsters tossed some ripe tomatoes and rotten apples at 16 German visiting athletes—representing Hamburg Sports Verein—as they posed for pictures on the steps of the City Hall today.

The demonstration occurred just after the Germans were officially greeted by the City Council President, Mr. Vincent Impellitteri.

The youngsters identified themselves as members of a Zionist youth organization.

The demonstrators carried signs which read "Protest Nazi Invasion of New York" and "Six Million Dead, Welcome Nazis(?)".

A spokesman for the group, composed of boys and girls, said that he and his companions were members of the Zeter, New York's Zionist youth organization.

The spokesman, aged 21, said they were protesting against the greetings extended by the City to the visiting Germans. He added that Hitler used similar sports associations in Germany to build up his armies.

Later, in a statement, Mr. Impellitteri said: "I am shocked by the disgraceful demonstration of a handful of irresponsible persons totally unrepresentative of the spirit or feelings of the citizens of New York City."

The visiting German soccer team, he added, was greeted in the City Hall just as were many other teams from all parts of the world in the interests of strengthening democracy through good sportsmanship.

Three of the demonstrators were questioned by the police and then taken into custody.—Reuter.

TAIWAN'S NEEDS

Taipei, May 5.

K. C. Wu, Governor of Taiwan, today told United States newspapermen that US\$10,000,000 a month from the United States would meet Chinese Nationalist military and economic needs.

"People on the mainland look to Taiwan as a beacon of hope, and as long as we remain here they will fight against the Reds," he said.

"Indo-China will be finished in a year," he predicted. Mr. Wu estimated Nationalist military strength at 600,000 men.—Associated Press.

PROGRESS MADE IN MEETING ON JAPAN

London, May 5.

The Commonwealth Consultative Committee on the Japanese peace treaty met today with the Commonwealth High Commissioners in what was described as a very amicable session.

There was obvious relief among the delegates, who had anticipated further trouble from the Indian High Commissioner, Mr. Krishna Menon. Mr. Menon had proved to be a stormy petrel at the opening session on Monday.

Today's session, presided over by the Commonwealth Relations Secretary, Mr. Patrick Gordon Walker, started at 9.30 a.m. and finished at noon. Discussions centred around principles so far agreed upon by the working party of experts.

The High Commissioners expressed their satisfaction with results to date and then went on to discuss broader aspects of the treaty.

Mr. Menon was in agreement with the other High Commissioners that an early treaty for Japan was highly desirable and it was also agreed that the working party next week should continue its task of discussing the Commonwealth viewpoint in detail on an official expert level.

The question of upgrading the level of discussion, which was raised by Mr. Menon at Monday's meeting, was not brought up at Friday's Consultative Committee meeting. It was agreed, however, that as the working party approached questions of higher policy the High Commissioners should be consulted again.

Attending delegates expressed both pleasure and relief at the surprising smoothness of the session and the work accomplished since Monday. On questions of economic and security aspects of the treaty there was an encouraging degree of unanimity and prospects of an agreed report for submission to the respective Commonwealth Governments are very sound.

No draft treaty

However, it is reiterated that no draft treaty is expected to emerge from the Consultative Committee's series of meetings which may now be completed by the end of next week.

The object of the Commonwealth discussions, it appears, is to produce an agreed report in order that the United States should be informed in advance about the line which will be taken by the Commonwealth countries at the peace conference.

"Canada is ready to enter into a peace treaty with Japan, with or without Russian participation. That is the policy of the Canadian Government," the External Affairs Minister, L. B. Pearson, told the External Affairs Committee of the Canadian House of Commons in Ottawa today.

He gave the Committee a complete review of the Japanese question. He reiterated his Government's demands for an early settlement of the Japanese peace treaty terms and the withdrawal of the occupation forces.

Opposition members on the committee, however, cautioned against hasty action that might throw Japan to the wolves.

Mr. Pearson said: "Russia will probably insist on her veto power at the conference, and the rest of the nations won't want it; but if Russia won't accept terms for the peace conference which are acceptable to the rest of the interested powers, then it might be necessary to go ahead without her."

U.S. responsibility

"We don't think Russia should hold up the peace settlement indefinitely, and we think that

the time has come when there should be a Japanese peace conference."

The main responsibility rested with the United States, since it was the occupying power and had played a major role in the Pacific War.

On a possible Pacific Pact, Mr. Pearson said Canada would favour immediate action if conditions in the Pacific were anything like what they were in the Atlantic region when the Atlantic Pact was negotiated a year and a half ago.

"But they aren't," he added. "Britain, the United States and India have indicated that they aren't ready for a Pacific Pact. That leaves Korea, Indo-China, the Philippines, Siam, Indonesia, Burma, New Zealand, Australia and possibly France. Can anyone say there is the same feeling of unity among these countries as there was when the North Atlantic Pact was first thought of?"—United Press.

LABOUR ACCUSES MENZIES

Canberra, May 5.

The Labour Opposition leader, Mr. Joseph B. Chifley, today accused the Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, of threatening to use penalties in the new anti-Communist bill against Labour Members of Parliament.

Mr. Chifley's statement followed an incident in the House of Representatives last night while Mr. Menzies was introducing a bill to alter the method of election of the Senate after a double dissolution of Parliament.

When Mr. Menzies was asked what the Government would do if an election returned it with a majority in the House of Representatives and a Senate divided equally, a Labour member, Mr. E. J. Ward, interjected that Mr. Menzies could "declare" a couple of Labour Senators under his anti-Communist bill.

Mr. Menzies replied, "I can think of at least one Labour Senator who would be perfectly easy to declare. I can also think of one Member of this House who could be declared."

Under the proposed law, which dissolves the Communist Party, the Government can also "declare" other organisations and individuals members of unlawful bodies under the bill.

Persons "declared" will be disqualified from Government service. The Opposition, while not opposing the outlawing of the Communists, object to these Government powers and claim that there are inadequate safeguards of appeal and redress.

The Labour caucus Executive will hold a special meeting on May 6 to consider launching simultaneous adjournment motions in the House of Representatives and the Senate to protest against Mr. Menzies' remarks.—Reuter.

SURPRISE DEBATE IN PARIS

Paris, May 5.

The French National Assembly, after a surprise debate for which the Speaker, M. Edouard Herriot, was roused from his bed early today, withheld blame from two former Ministers accused of hushing up the "Affair of the Generals."

This affair followed news of the leakage to Vietnam—Indo-Chinese insurgent—agents of secrets from a report on Indo-China by General Georges Marie Revers, former Chief of Staff.

Also involved was General Charles Mast.

The Assembly found that both Ministers—the former Premier, M. Henri Queuille and the former National Defence Minister, M. Paul Ramadier—were guided by considerations of national interest. It decided that there had been nothing yet to give cause for doubting the good faith of M. Ramadier.

It also confirmed the mandate of an investigating Committee to shed all possible light on the affair, ignoring partisan passions. Two Communist motions asking that the cases of M. Queuille and M. Ramadier be placed before the High Court of Justice were not put to the vote.

The debate was originally opened yesterday on a Socialist demand to clear the name of M. Ramadier. It ended on an adjournment report from Parliamentary Commission investigating the leakage.

After both Ministers had defended themselves, the Communist Vice-Speaker, M. Mathilde Peri, declared just before midnight that it had been agreed to adjourn until today and adjourned the debate.

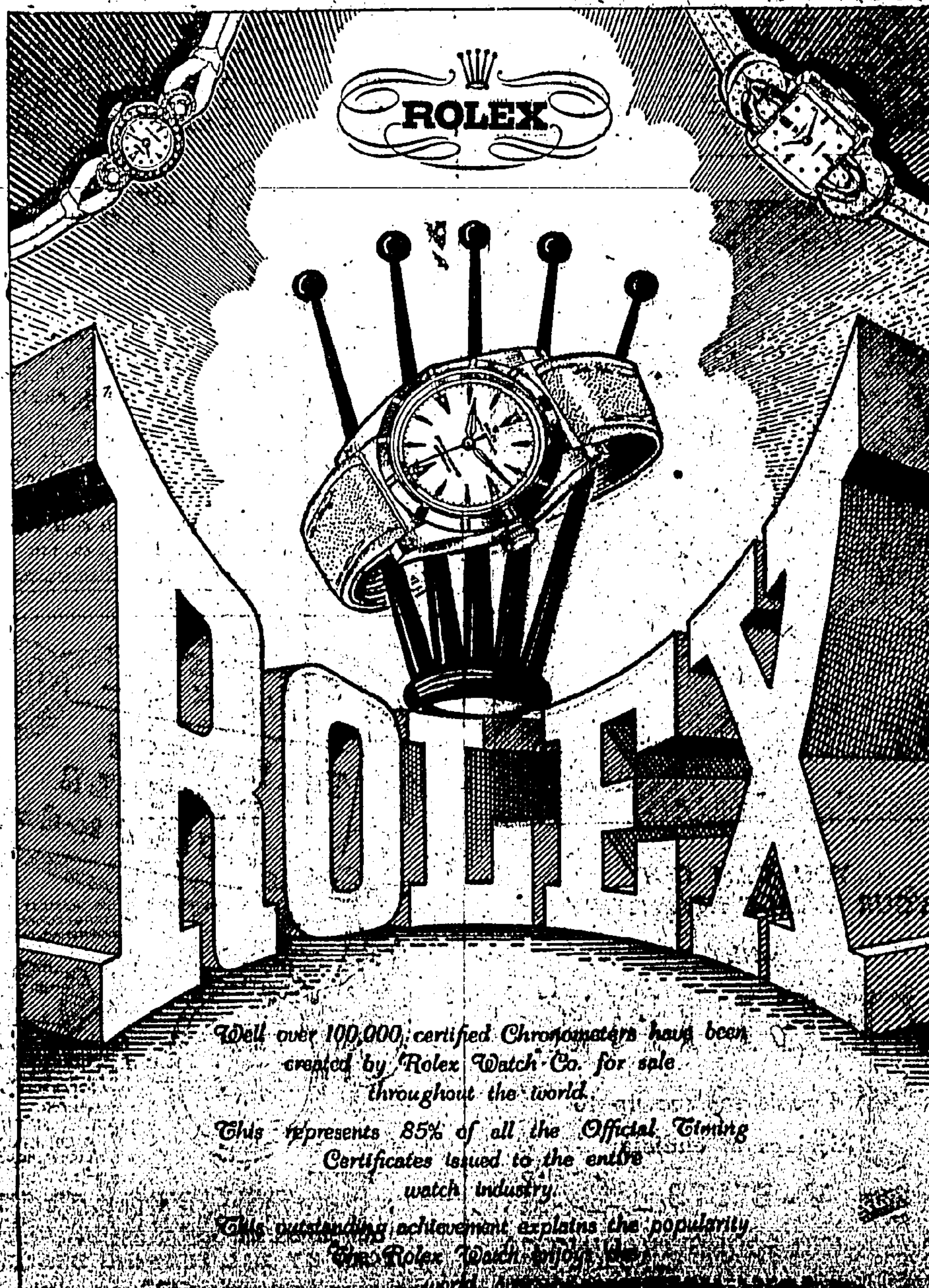
Communist deputies then walked out amid protest desk-banging by other deputies who thought such swift progress had been made that the debate could be taken to a vote before the Assembly adjourned.

Another Deputy Speaker, the Socialist, M. Rene Le Troquer, took over. He hurried next door to the official residence of the Speaker, M. Herriot, roused him from his sleep and got him to go to the Assembly.

Members then voted for the continuation of the debate and this second stage got under way after midnight. The final voting came about 3.00 a.m.—Reuter.

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By Superintendent Robert Fabian

The two gentlemen from the Russian Embassy leaned conspiratorially nearer. Mr. Pybus thrilled.

"We can deliver the platinum on Thursday," said Colonel Svorskov, and Count Nikolai interposed with quiet dignity. "There is no need to remind you, my dear Pybus, of the risks of Colonel Svorskov and me should you be indiscreet."

Mr. Pybus was an Aldgate poulticer. He had made a wartime fortune. He started with a poulticer's shop and a mortgage. By 1945 he had five shops, eight market stalls, two big chicken farms—and £10,000 in cash in his bedroom wardrobe.

Then he met the Russians. They had been introduced to him as a favour by little Mr. Weiner, who owed him £300. "It isn't that I can't pay you," said Weiner anxiously. "But you've platinum—well, I thought if I could put a bit of your way, we might have another talk about that £300."

"Platinum?" echoed Mr. Pybus cautiously. "I want nothing to do with stolen stuff!" Weiner sniggered. "This platinum is straight from the Russian Government's mines in the Ural Mountains. It belongs to the Soviet Embassy."

Mr. Pybus was not impressed. "Foreigners, eh? Tricky customers, foreigners!"

"You're right there, Mr. Pybus. Always on the middle, these foreigners. Now this friend of mine, Count Nikolai, 'he pushed' impressively. 'Count Nikolai,' he repeated, 'tasting the title on his tongue, 'genuine aristocrat—I looked him up, honest. Well, his family used to own these big platinum mines. When the Reds got in they did 'em all in except his brother and one of his cousins, who knew a lot about getting out the platinum, see? And my friend, Count Nikolai, he threw in his hand with the Reds and his job is selling this platinum outside Russia."

"So rare," said the Count.

"Now the thing is, the Count's relatives have smuggled him a box of platinum for himself—adding to delivery notes—and the Count is in 50-50 with another Russian at the Embassy, a Colonel something-or-other."

"So what do you expect me to do about it?" asked Mr. Pybus, beginning to get the drift of things but not wishing to appear too eager.

"Well," said Weiner, "I'm having a spot of dinner with my friend the Count in the West End this evening. You might care to come in 'meet him.' He hesitated. "Fact is, I'm bit stuck for cash, you don't happen?"

Mr. Pybus peered off a £5 note. "Expensive hobby, feeding Counts," he said. "But thanks for the invitation—I don't suppose I could bring the wife along, eh?"

So that was how Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pybus came to meet those two tall, charming foreign diplomats—Colonel Gregory Svorskov, described as finance attache to the Soviet Embassy in London;

and Count Nikolai Grunzavlin. The evening was a success. So was the next—with Mr. Pybus as host.

It took two weeks to get down to business. "These platinum consignments come only rarely, my dear Pybus—perhaps one in two or three years. Otherwise would be too risky, you understand?"

Mr. Pybus stared with awe.

Mr. Pybus nodded, and the Count continued: "Each box contains 1000 and one platinum blocks of one ounce. At normal market price, about £17,000 worth."

The poulticer was troubled. "Eh, really? I didn't calculate on spending quite so much—" "But you've platinum, that is the price an outside dealer—such as yourself—could obtain. We dare not sell upon the open market. Our lives, our families—all at stake! We must be content with less, say—"

Colonel Svorskov interrupted: "Translated from Russian roubles, comrade Pybus, the payment we shall require is £12,272. Do you agree?"

A profit of nearly £5,000! "I agree," said Mr. Pybus faintly. Count Nikolai returned to the question he had been repeatedly driving home: "It is clearly understood you will not attempt to dispose of the platinum for at least six months, my dear Pybus?"

"Of course," retorted Pybus. "I realise you must have that protection."

Two nights afterwards, Mr. Alfred Pybus was gazing down with mingled pride and awe at a heavy box on his sitting-room carpet. Count Nikolai and Colonel Svorskov, still breathless from having borne the box up to Pybus's flat, were enjoying stiff whiskies.

It was an impressive box. Glittering steel rivets and metal bands could be glimpsed through key-holes in the red canvas covering on which the box was sewn. On the canvas were Russian freight directions in white stencil, the whole taped and sealed with crimson wax medallions of Russian eagles. Soviet stars.

Off they went with £10,000.

The key was handed to Mr. Pybus in a sealed linen envelope. "Examine it at your leisure, my dear Pybus," smiled the Count. "For remember, until six months our lives are in your hands, yes?"

"I will remember," said Mr. Pybus. The Russians departed, with the £10,000 from Pybus's wardrobe, and with Mrs. Pybus's £2,000 baby mink coat and a couple of diamond rings to make up the £12,272.

The little poulticer lived with his box of treasure for nearly four months and faithfully kept his pledge to his Russian friends. He did not even break the seals.

It was his wife's birthday in August, and that year it was also the Pybus's silver wedding anniversary. Mrs. Pybus was keen to invite Count Nikolai and Colonel Svorskov.

Mr. Pybus wrote them at the Soviet Embassy. His letter was returned "unknown." He telephoned, but in vain.

It dawned on Alfred Pybus that something was wrong—perhaps that platinum had been stolen.

Now it is interesting that when a man has a troubled conscience he becomes acutely aware of policemen and abnormally anxious to be nice to them. All

detectives know that the stranger who approaches them and says: "Good evening, officer, have a drink?" is usually guilty about something.

So when a prosperous poultry-dealer named Alfred Pybus went out of his way to speak to Detective-Sergeant Arthur "Squeaker" Vansay in a Leadenhall market public house early one morning, the shrewd "Squeaker" accepted expectantly.

Nor was he disappointed. In a few moments the secret began to emerge.

"Just to settle an argument, officer, suppose a man buys, well, something ridiculous like a bar of gold, and then finds it has been stolen—he bought it in all innocence, mind you—has he any way of getting his money back?"

Glittering bricks—all steel.

The "Squeaker" fixed him with a penetrating eye. "Who sold you this bar of gold?" he demanded bluntly. Mr. Pybus went pale.

Within half an hour, Vansay and I were at Pybus's pleasant flat behind the Strand, surveying the bulging box.

"Better get that canvas off," we ran a knife-blade through seals, tapes and canvas, unceremoniously. "Where's the key?" Mr. Pybus sadly produced the sealed linen envelope.

The steel-box lid was heavy as a vault-door. Inside we saw stacks of glittering white bricks, neat as cigarettes in a casket.

"Seventeen thousand pounds' worth," whispered Mr. Pybus. I examined one. "That seems a lot to pay for stainless steel," I said gently.

At Heron police laboratories each of the 1,001 bricks was examined under a spectrograph. All were stainless steel.

And now—where were the Count and the Colonel? The Russian Embassy, of course, knew nothing about them. We interviewed Mr. Weiner.

He broke into a torrent of Polish. Swartzkhov replied. "For £3,000 it will be all right," asked "The Count." I said carefully: "Do you mean that you want to make me a gift of £3,000?"

Nikolai's mouth crinkled into a ghost of a smile. "Yes," he said. "Just a gift of £3,000."

"All right," I said. "Let me see it."

We took a taxi, and to my surprise went back to Lancaster Gate. "Nikky's apartment is the one above mine," explained Swartzkhov.

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"Well," I said. "It will almost certainly make the judge like you better, to hear you turned over £3,000 and the mink coat to the police so helpfully."

They exchanged quick glances. Then Swartzkhov spread his hands resignedly. "You know best, Inspector."

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At Scotland Yard's Special Branch I was told: "It isn't Russian, old boy—it means 'Polish Ministry of Labour and National Welfare.'"

An official of the Polish Ministry of Labour gave me Mr. Swartzkhov's new address, a much improved district in Lancaster Gate, and a considerably more expensive-looking house.

The door was answered by a blonde young lady, wearing a house-gown of silk chiffon velvet.

It was nearly 11 a.m. But Mr. Swartzkhov was still in bed. I watched admiringly while he changed from pale pink silk pyjamas into street clothes, his fingers trembling and eyes averted.

When he was fully dressed he closed his wardrobe door and said: "I give you £3,000—you give me the rest of the day—pretend I was out this morning, come back tomorrow."

I watched him. "By tomorrow you could be out of the country," I said.

Swartzkhov continued to fiddle with the latch of the wardrobe door. "I give you £3,000—you come back tomorrow," he repeated. "Nobody else will know."

This was embarrassing. I had a duty to Pybus to recover as much money as possible. But even to appear to be about to take a bribe is risky and serious for a police officer. I hesitated.

"It's a lot of money," I said slowly. Swartzkhov released a pent-up breath and smiled. "All I want you to make a telephone call, Inspector."

"Very well, so long as you speak English."

Thirty packets of money.

As I expected—and hoped—the call was to his accomplice. Swartzkhov arranged to meet him in the Great Western Hotel.

We kept the appointment. The tall, greying man whom I recognised by description as the bogus "Count Nikolai" was waiting. He broke into a torrent of Polish. Swartzkhov replied.

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Blonde in velvet let me in.

It was addressed to Gregory Swartzkhov at the lodging-house where we were. On the envelope flap was printed: "Ministerstwo Pracy i Opieki Społecznej."

Now that the Sahibs have gone

To Darjeeling the evacuation of India has brought sentence of death—not by swift demise but by creeping decay. For 100 years it had been the health resort of the British in Bengal, and now, just as grass grows in the streets of Bath, after the Romans left, so the jungle may conquer the "Queen of the Hill Stations."

Now the sahibs have nearly all gone. The big hotel, with a

two Governments soon led to the cessation of inter-State traffic. So the Indian Government pulled up its section of the direct railway from Calcutta to the Northern frontier and constructed what is called the Assam Rail Link, a narrow-gauge line that circumvents East Bengal by a circuitous route and involves a ferry-crossing of the Ganges.

What used to be a simple 24-hour journey by through train has become a scramble for seats.

By G. Ward Price

capacity of 250 beds, had 11 visitors for the Easter week-end, which used to be the height of the season. That is only one fewer than last year.

The village, with their English bow-windows and names like Fairview or Jubilee Cottage, are untenanted, unless it be by Hindu refugees from East Bengal.

Only a side-chapel of the English church, built a century ago, is in regular use. Seven other English churches in the Darjeeling area have been pulled down in the past two years and the materials sold.

So today the Indian traders stand disconsolately in the doorways of their shops, which no one enters. The coolie women wait outside with empty baskets for a single season's crop.

Assam, which goes in for quantity production and turns out about eight times as much per acre as the hill gardens yield, may solve the problem by using river transport.

But Darjeeling, where the favoured teas are grown, will have to send most of its tea to Calcutta by air.

The higher cost of carriage by air is one of the reasons why the Ministry of Food is paying fourpence a pound more under the new contract for bulk purchase recently concluded.

The tea industry is the only factor that maintains British interests in this part of India. Assam, in particular, is enjoying boom conditions.

New names for old.

But a few score rich planters are not enough to restore the fortunes of Darjeeling.

The streets, that used to be named after British Governors and Generals have been rebaptised as Gandhi-avenue or Nehru-road—but the real monuments of the days of Darjeeling's opulence are its old-fashioned red pillars, which still bear the royal cipher "V.R."

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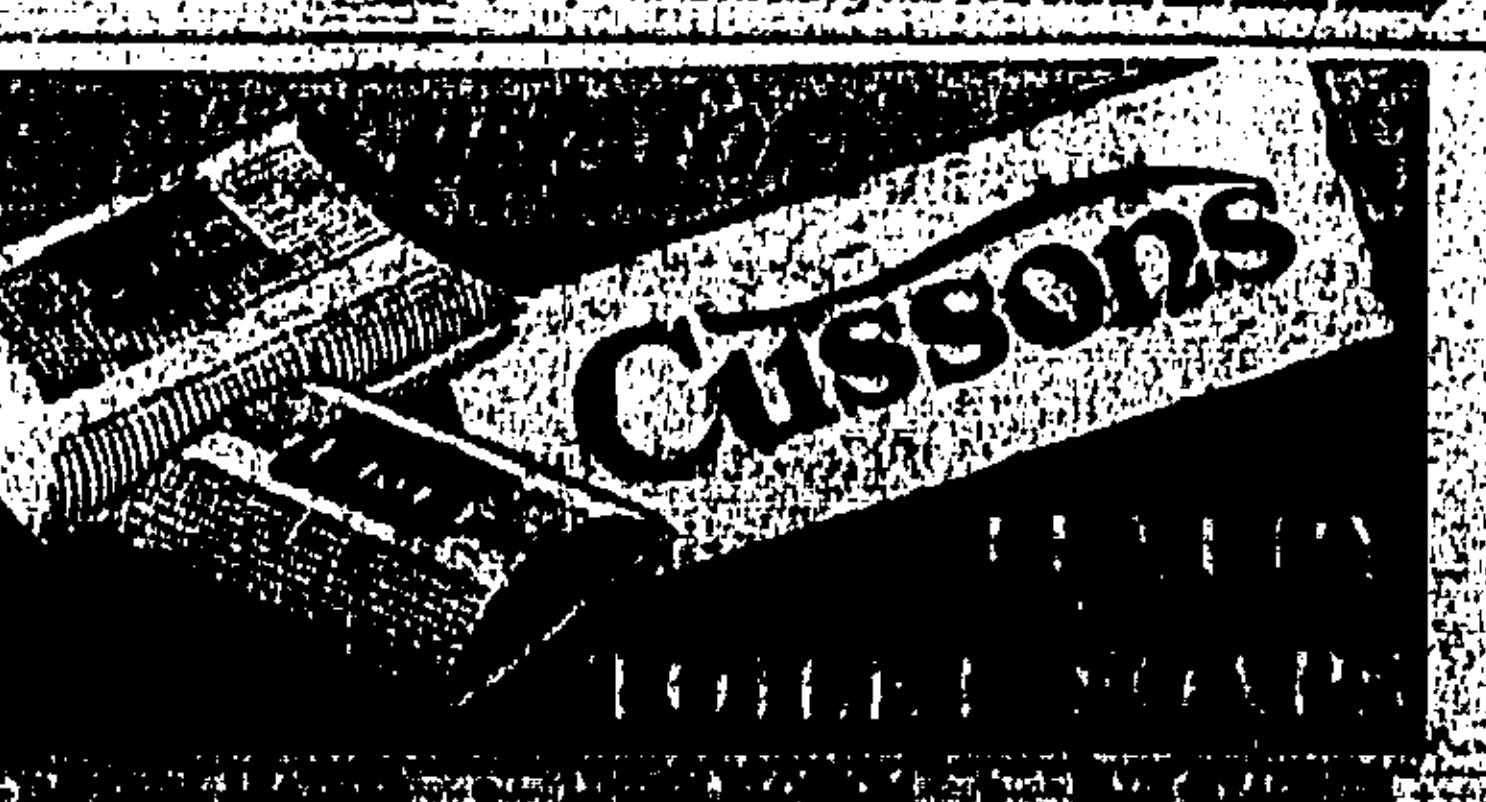
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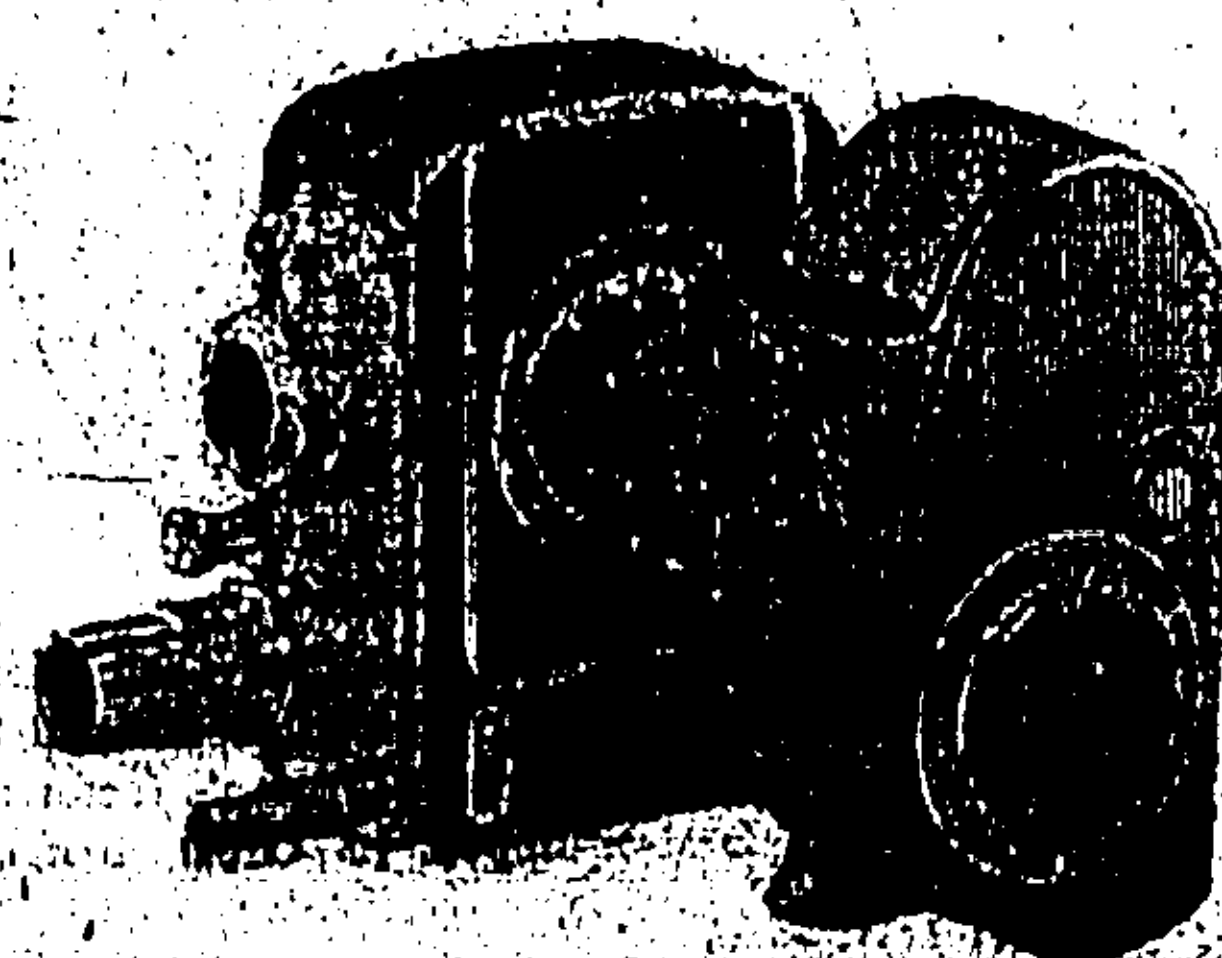
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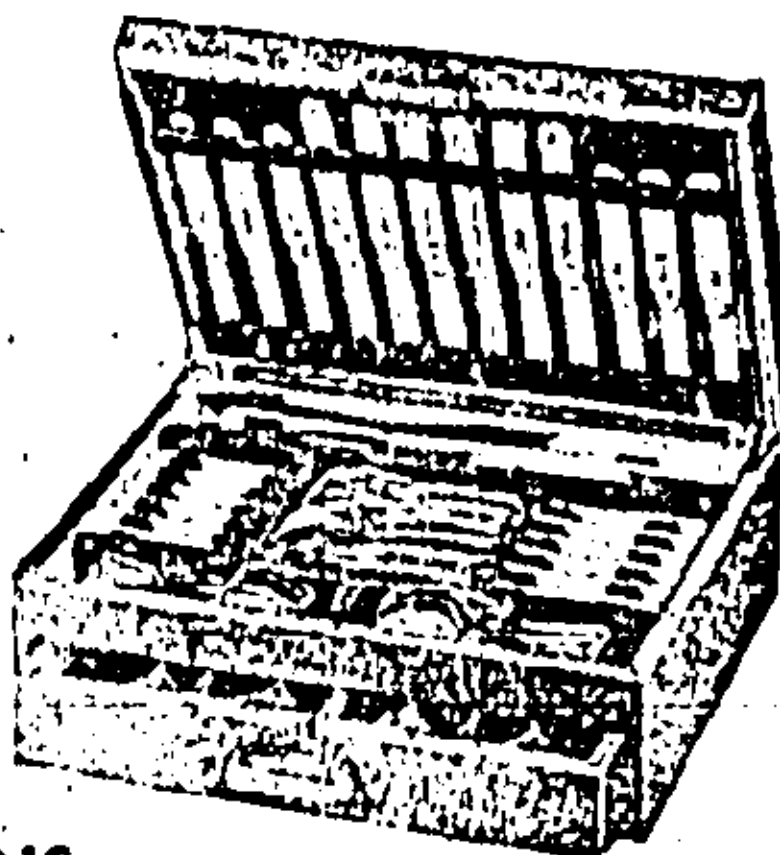
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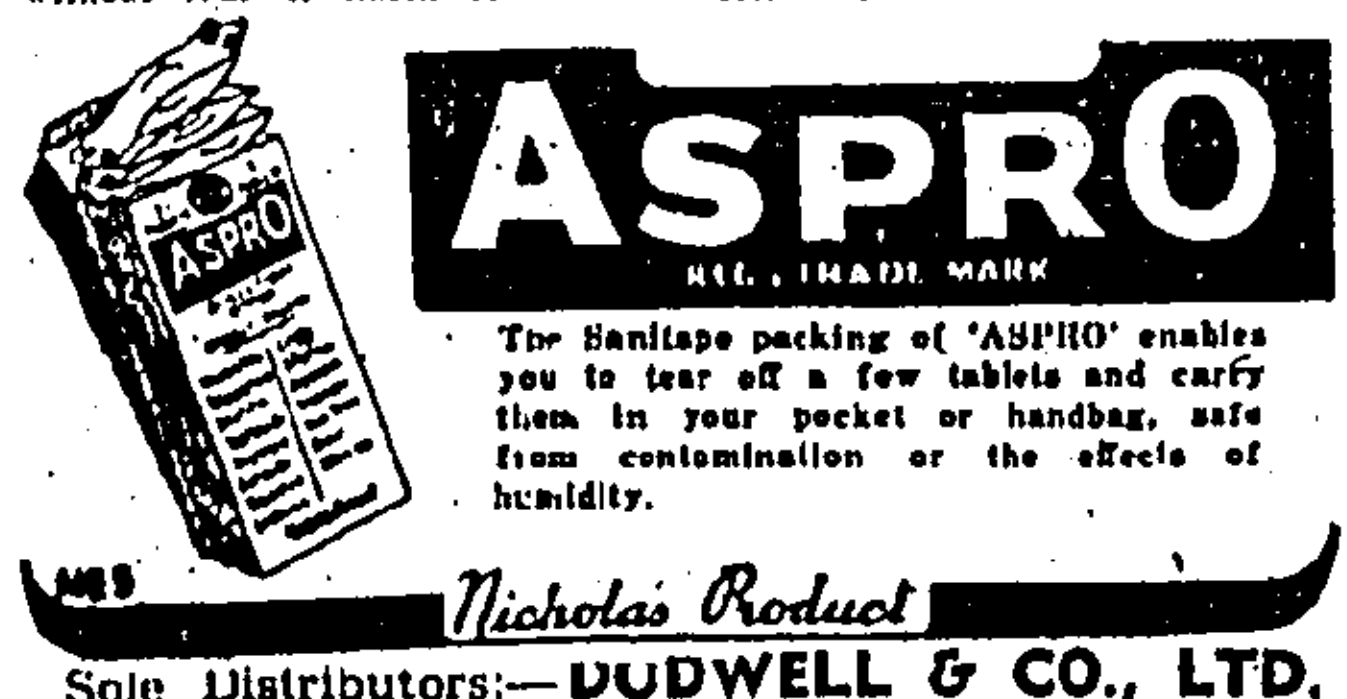
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The sudden, startling change in the attitude of the Hon. John J. McCloy, United States High Commissioner for Germany, was prescribed for him, plainly and directly, by President Truman and by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson.

The great anti-Nazi speech made by McCloy at the opening of the Amerika Haus in Stuttgart... "a house for free men and women to exchange views, to find information about the activities of the people of the United States"... has, in the minds of many, placed McCloy alongside the Clay of the Early Occupation as an administrator who knows the Germans.

Change of heart

But the truth of the matter is that McCloy's speech was written by Mr. Acheson and his staff. It was printed in Washington before it was spoken in Germany, and the release of McCloy's verbal text, even corrected down to the last Germanic spelling correction (Haus for House), were available before McCloy faced his sudden audience.

It is possible that Mr. McCloy himself underwent a change of heart during his two-week visit to the United States. Soon after he arrived he pushed the idea of a Nazi, or even an Ultra-Nationalist revival, saying there were a few extremists here and there, but that it was really nothing to worry about at all.

Then, to quote from his (or Mr. Acheson's) speech, he found that "editors, publishers, correspondents, columnists and officials, hundreds of people in Washington, New York, Boston asked recurring questions: How important are nationalistic trends? How strong are the extreme rightists? Who is behind them? What are certain German officials trying to achieve with their recurrent nationalistic statements? How strong is the will to democracy, to peace in Germany?"

Daring talk

So in Stuttgart, in aid of his change of heart or a rebuking Administration, McCloy talked to the Germans about Germany as no one has dared for the past 18 months. He said he had told Americans about "positive elements" in German life, such as the freely elected Government, progressive legislation and so on, but that he was concerned about the re-emergence of nationalist groups, the continuation of traditionalism and authoritarian forms, the return of many undesirable nationalists into important places. But where Americans would have liked to stand up and cheer, and where McCloy and his speech-writers reflected the week's most intense feeling in

NEW YORK LETTER



"the amazing docility and acquiescence of the greater part of the German population towards Nazi outrages."

A week-long campaign followed in American newspapers, ex-Servicemen's organizations and other groups to the effect that the majority of Americans wanted to see a free democratic Germany co-operating with Western Eu-

and held high hopes of a reprove. American correspondents in Germany, alive to the vital American interest in the Nazi revival, have followed and hounded Hitler and his neo-Nazi band, have dug up the facts that 43 per cent of the Bavarian Civil Service had held jobs under the Nazis; that 81 per cent of Ministry of Justice officials were Nazis,



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America, was at the reference to rape, but that there was no room for German arrogance in its old familiar pattern.

Exclusive story

This changing, hardening attitude is all the more remarkable when it is considered that Americans have always been the most generous, the softest-hearted people in the world where former enemies were concerned and when it is considered they were mostly 3,000 miles away from the nearest concentration camp. New York newspapers sold thousands of extra copies with an

exclusive story, outlining full details behind the fact that S.S. General Ohlendorf, found guilty of killing 90,000 Russians, and sentenced to death, was still alive.

The German Question is always an open wound in America, because so many Americans are of German descent, and because so many Americans are Jewish. Whereas with us it has been a case of bombs, separation and civilian war dead, with America it is a case so often of father and son. That is one of the reasons for, as Mr. McCloy put it, "the intensity, and the extent" of the American interest in the young men who are wearing jackboots meeting furtively in cellars by night, dreaming of past glories and the future.

It is one of the reasons why Mr. Churchill's fine tapestry of memoirs, with its references to "93,000,000 malignant Huns" and "the brute mass of the German Army, intent on destroying liberties in other lands they have never known in their own," is being taken a little out of the context of the great statesman's present view, to prove again how right the great statesman always was.

The empty years

Hollywood has turned its cameras to Agnes Newton Keith's epic story of her life in Japanese concentration camps during the war.

Mrs. Keith was the only American member of a group of English and Scottish housewives

A BOMBED SHEPHERD BOY FINDS PEACE

One sunny afternoon in Northern Greece a little shepherd boy suddenly deserted his flock and began to race down the mountainside as fast as his thin legs would carry him.

Behind him a voice rose, high and urgent: "Boy, boy! Where are you going?" Then: "Stop, boy! Stop!"

But 10-year-old Vassilios Vellos did not answer and did not stop. Behind him in the mountains was the guerrilla stronghold to which he had been dragged from his village; before him, but a long way below, were Greek Royalist troops with whom, he believed, he would find freedom.

The guerrilla sentinel drew the pin out of a hand grenade and took deliberate aim. Seconds later, when the dust settled, little Vassilios lay crumpled beneath fragments of rock.

To Greece this was just another misfortune of war. Vassilios, an arm blown off, a leg shattered, blinded and terribly scarred, was just one of thousands of innocent victims of the civil war.

What could anybody in Greece do about a little shepherd boy? Through all the land the hospitals were crammed with wounded, maimed, sick and diseased; in every hospital the surgeons were overworked. How could they spare time for a child who was almost dead?

They could not. But in Britain, a voluntary organisation was growing whose selfless aim was to help the children of all war-torn lands.

In November, 1947, a year before the shepherd boy's life was so tragically changed, the organisation calling itself the International Help for Children consisted of two people, a small office and a hired typewriter.

And the £100 with which Miss Margaret McEwen, welfare worker, and Mr. John Barclay, social worker, had started their work had almost run out. The organisation was falling.

Eleventh hour gift

By the children and people of Sheffield, to whom Mr. Barclay had appealed, sent a gift of £300 at the eleventh hour. The offers of help began to pour in: offers of homes for refugees, offers of old clothes. It was the bend in the road.

Today the IHC has headquarters at 43, Parliament Street, Westminster. It is a convalescent home—rent, is a year—at Telford, Surrey. It has a list of families in Britain who, without reward, are willing to throw open their doors for two or three months to strange, hurt, suspicious humans from devastated lands.

Vassilios Vellos, aged 11, is now with a foster-family in Barry, Wales. British specialists have performed four operations

and mothers who were engulfed by the rapidly of the Japanese march through the East Indies. Following Pearl Harbour and the fall of Singapore.

For nearly four years thereafter, this gallant lady's sole purpose was to stay alive, and to keep her four-year-old son alive. She published her essay in survival, under the title "Three Came Home."

In the Twentieth Century-Fox film of the same name, Claudette Colbert lives those empty years in the life Mrs. Keith lived. Through a deadly climate, through disease, through a primitive set of living conditions, beatings and humiliations designed carefully by the Japanese to reduce her spirit, and the resistance of other prisoners, Miss Colbert brings herself and her child home safe to her husband.

which have given him sight to one eye, have operated successfully on his jaw and he is soon to be fitted with an artificial arm.

Tragic cases

But down at Little Pond House, Telford, where, since 1940, many maimed children have played happily, the story of Vassilios is not unusual. James and Janet Joyce, the Quaker couple who

By

Bernard Eaton

care for the refugees, can fill in the tragic gaps of many a case history.

There is 13-year-old Eberhardt, the boy who always stood alone, and whose eyes never changed expression.

Eberhardt lived in a village in Eastern Germany with his mother, two aunts and his baby brother. When the Russians swept through the village the two boys hid in the woods.

Days later, when they returned, Eberhardt found the three women hanging from the bannister rails. The reason for their suicide could be only guessed by the authorities. Eberhardt, estranged from complete sanity by the shock, and his little brother, joined the refugees on the long, long road leading West.

But at Little Pond House, where his history sheet reads: "Mother and two aunts dead," the boy responded quickly to affection. It was discovered by accident that he had a mechanical mind. The IHC found him a foster-home with a Mitcham (fried-fish) merchant who let him help to maintain his equipment and car.

Eberhardt, now psychologically normal, has rejoined his father,

traced by friends of the IHC, in Germany.

Difficult task

There is Constantinos, who picked up an explosive in a stream and who now has 500 tons; Panatis, who has 400 tons; Andrast, who lost an eye, an arm and a leg in a land-mine explosion; Demetrios, who lost his left leg when he trod on a pencil bomb in a field.

Caring for such children and helping them back to normality is not an easy task for Mr. and Mrs. Joyce. With great kindness they refuse to probe the minds of the refugee children to learn their stories. But often, through unfortunate incidents, they learn of them later from foster parents.

Koula Patena, a 12-year-old Greek girl, suffered by such a mischance.

Koula left Little Pond House to spend three months with foster parents at Barry, Wales. One morning her foster-father looked out cutting off the head of the chicken they were to have for dinner. Koula went into hysterics.

Must go back

It was then learned that the child was a refugee from the village of Kalanaki where, before her eyes, her father had first been hanged and had then had his head severed from his body.

Officials and foster parents alike hope that now Koula has told her story, kindness may erase it from her mind for good.

One of the main regrets of the IHC in London and the Joyces at Little Pond House is that they cannot afford to set up branches abroad to care for returning children. All must eventually go back, sometimes to incredible poverty and insecurity.

Mrs. Joyce told me: "When the children go back, so much different from when they came, we try not to encourage correspondence. It only brings discontentment and unhappiness."

"Meanwhile, the work goes on. The world is falling to bits and all we can do is to put pieces of sticking plaster here and there. We know we are helping."

Getting a telephone

The now familiar problem of "How can I get a telephone installed?" is apparently by no means a British copyright.

Writing from Munich, correspondent Christopher Phillips reports that unknottling the confusion wrought by Allied bombs is still keeping the Bavarian telephone engineers busy.

Once the proud possessor of the most up-to-date automatic telephone system in Germany, Bavaria is now wondering whether she will ever get her battered and worn-out equipment into working order again.

At present more than 60,000 people are waiting to have new telephones installed, and while they wait, those lucky enough to have telephones already report that they rarely get their right number the first time and that when they do, the line, is nearly always blocked by constant "buzzes" "pips" and "burrs."

As many as four of Munich's telephone exchanges were war casualties, and today although those exchanges are back in operation, they are severely overworked.

In Bavaria fully automatic dialling is possible over distances of more than 3,000 miles and even in the remote country districts, hand-operated exchanges are few and far between. Because of this "luxury" service, Bavarians are all the more annoyed when they have difficulty in dialling or are told that they will have to wait as long as three years for a telephone.



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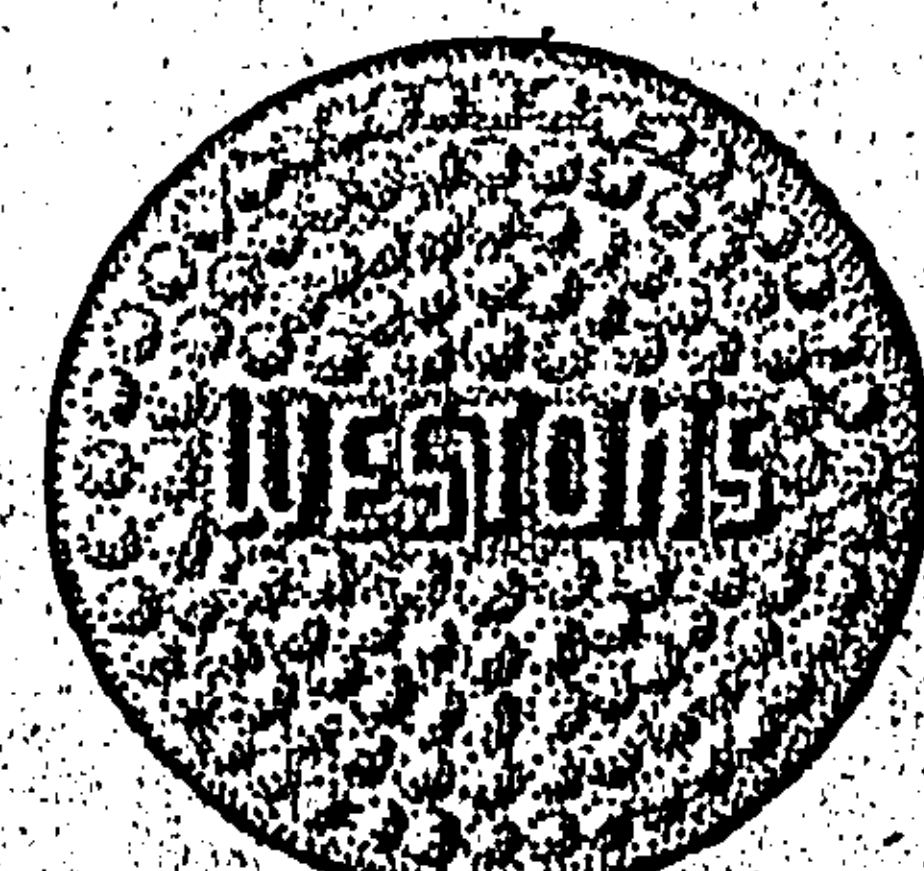
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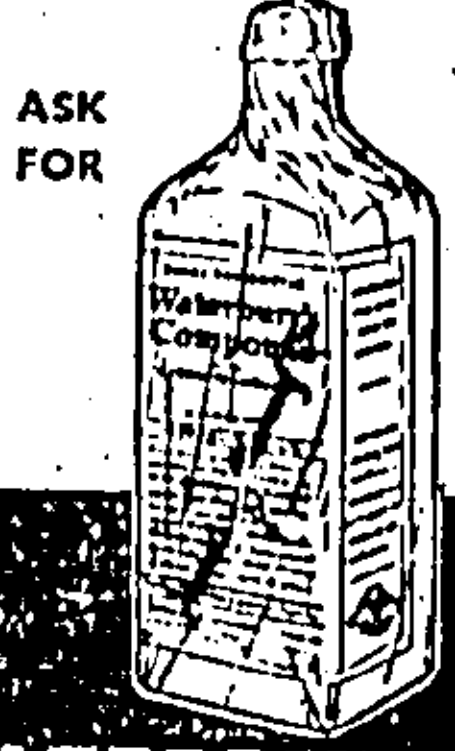
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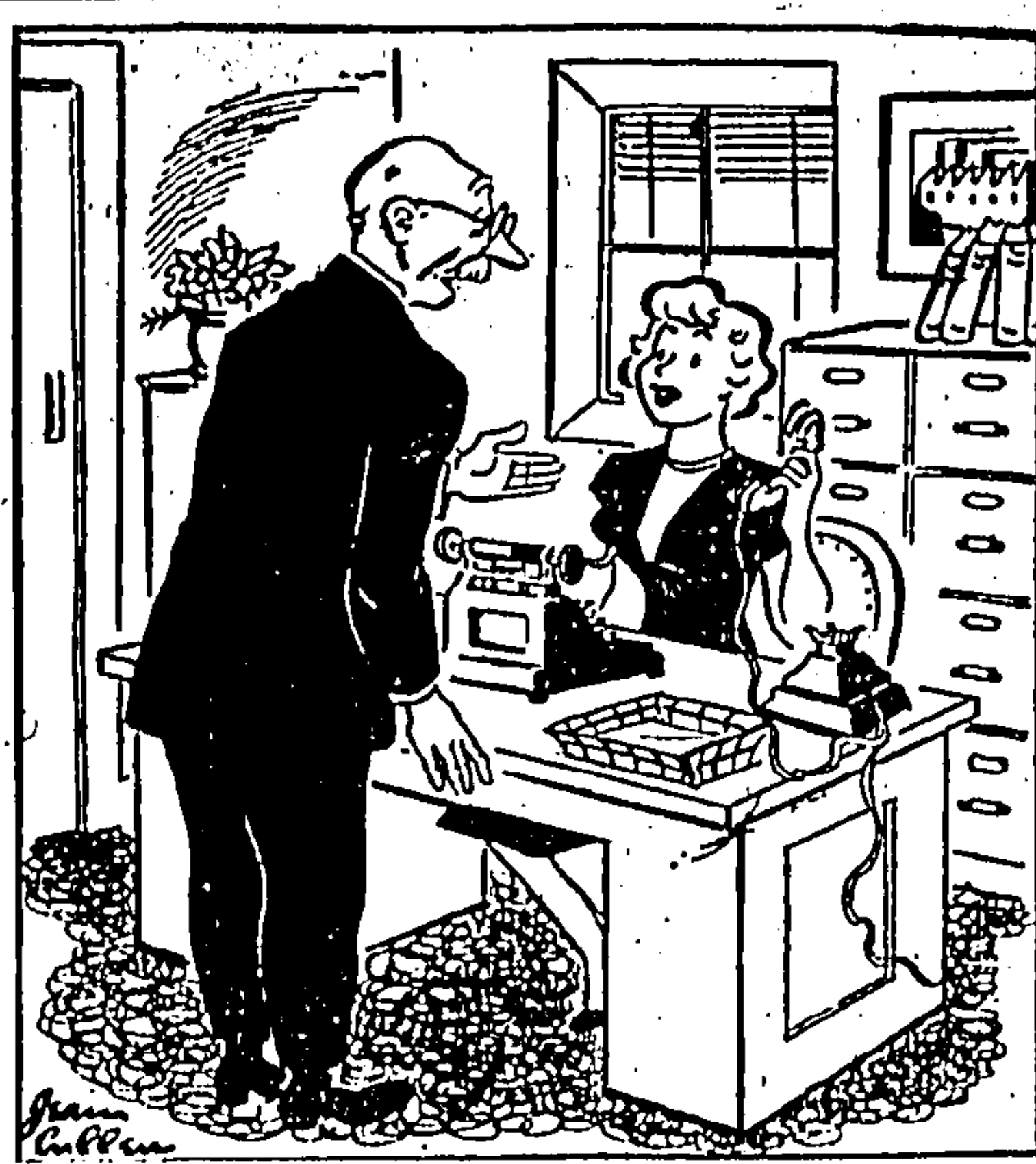
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"Well, let's put it another way, Miss Henderson. What would you think of ME if I rang up girl friends all day long?"

Mr. Greene hunts for a "Fourth Man"

By Antony Terry

In and around Helmstedt, Europe's touch-and-go Iron Curtain frontier post on the Berlin road, author Graham Greene is probing into the lives of thousands of frightened refugees, Germans, Russians, Rumanians, Poles and Czechs in an effort to find a spark which will set him on the track of another "Third Man" thriller.

Mystery writer Greene has himself become the mystery-man of this spy-ridden area. Surrounded by a bodyguard of British frontier control officials and plain-clothes police, he travels incognito, visits camps as plain "Mr. Graham from the Refugee Organisation," and avoids publicity.

His greatest difficulty is to avoid autograph-hunting German girls. Local enthusiasm for "Der Dritte Mann" is shown by the fact that every fifth German has seen the film.

German waitresses in a British canteen recognised Greene as something to do with the "Third Man" and asked for an autograph from "Herr Harry Lime." Ignoring "move on" orders by the plain-clothes bodyguard, they crowded round and got their autographs.

Despite elaborate security precautions by the British authorities in Germany, this publicity is getting wearisome to tired, anxious, six-foot plot-hunter Greene. "I wish I had never heard of the Third Man," he commented sadly.

Please keep off

"I am going to hang out a 'please keep off' notice in German and English. It will also contain a reminder that I did not write the music for the Third Man. I get sick and tired of being addressed as Mr. Lime by total strangers with a sense of humour."

More risky than his Vienna researches for the "Third Man" two years ago are Greene's present efforts to lift a corner of the Iron Curtain. Included in his programme are illegal crossings of the closely guarded Soviet-zone border at safe points well away from trigger-happy Soviet guards and only known to British officials. A Russian interpreter accompanies them on these trips, just in case.

Greene values his hurried half-hour talks with Germans living inside the Soviet zone who help refugees to cross the line. Helmstedt and the area around it receding down to the thickly-wooded "Scarlet Pimpernel" country of the Harz Mountains further South are Germany's main East-West escape area, black-market centre and spy zone. Germans call it "the Green Frontier."

Communist "People's Police"

TRUE STORIES FROM BRITAIN'S ASYLUMS

1 The Case Of Margaret

Margaret was a happy girl of 16 back in the grim days of 1943. Like many youngsters of her age, arithmetic was never a strong point in her education. She was slow to learn and sums were ever a puzzle. For that reason she was attending a special school for backward children.

Two years previously Margaret was badly shaken in the Nazi bombing of Britain, but she did not worry. Was not her Daddy hitting back in the RAF?

Then tragedy entered her life. She was certified mentally deficient and moved to a privately owned institution.

Walked out

Two years passed and Margaret's father was demobbed. At once he asked the authorities how it was Margaret was in a home. The only answer officialdom could produce was that both he and his wife had signed the necessary consent form.

He proved that he had not been at home at the time, and although an affidavit showing that his wife had died years previously was produced, even that did not secure his daughter's return.

The girl was now nearly 21 and was being hired out by the institution as a domestic worker. Her wages were paid direct to the institution and she was allowed 12s. a month.

Drastic steps were needed, and the father meant to take them. His visits to his daughter at the home decided him. On the next visiting day the pair put a bold face on it and together marched through the exit gates. Nobody stopped them.

As her father had no room for her at home Margaret went to stay with an aunt and uncle. For two months she lived like a hunted animal.

Threats of legal proceedings against her father for having taken her out of the care of the institution did not weaken the couple's determination to win through. In the end, on her 21 birthday the blow fell.

Now cashier

There was a heavy banging at the front door. The aunt opened the door. Five policemen and two female wardens from the institution stood there. Margaret was taken back to the home.

Because of his own domestic troubles Margaret's father then relinquished his legal rights as a father and passed them on to the aunt and uncle. They decided to fight on.

Margaret's story has a story-book ending, however. Threats by the National Council for Civil Liberties to have the whole matter raised in the House of Commons secured a reversal of the institutional order.

Margaret is now a cashier in a local business, and says her employer, "Her accountancy is first rate."

One glaring wrong the council discovered in its investigation of this sad story was that the magistrate who certified the frightened little 16-year-old was himself a director of the company owning the home to which she was sent.

2 The case of Jane

Jane's story starts back in 1945. The little 15-year-old did not have a particularly happy home life, but it was no worse than many children have to endure. Times were hard, and soon Jane's mother found herself in front of the magistrates. The mother had done wrong and went to prison.

Within a few weeks Jane found herself in the Juvenile Court on a charge of being in need of care and protection. The court heard that the girl was backward at school and decided to send her to a mental colony. She was certified

mentally deficient. No one asked her parents' consent before this move was taken.

Sixteen months after she moved to the colony, Jane became an adult in law and was moved to the "grown-ups" part of the colony.

Even then she remained bright, cheerful, and tidy, and adept at housework. Jane was sent out as a domestic worker to a local convent. She received 10s. 8d. a week, plus her keep and board.

In November 1947 Jane was

By D.E.H. Dinsley

moved to a mental institution near London and went to work in the laundry, where private work was undertaken on a commercial basis.

Her wages were 1s. a week—and most of this was taken away to pay for her sweet ration.

At week-end she did occasionally go out under supervision. Her aunt tried hard to see her and to take her out. Only once did she get permission, and then the little outing was limited to one hour.

In March of last year Jane could stand it no longer. She ran away to her parents' home. She was free for a week only.

In September she decided to try again. While she was with her mother at the cinema she learned that the police were waiting for her at her home.

Terrified she parted from her mother and moved on to the home of a woman friend of the family. Police calls at her home and later at the home of the friend failed to trace her—Jane was one move ahead of them. She had changed her address.

Meanwhile friends contacted a legal advice bureau and through the bureau the National Council for Civil Liberties.

A full report was submitted to the board of the institution by the council. The board agreed to consider it, for it included a medical statement by a doctor holding the Diploma of Psychological Medicine.

The report clearly showed that though Jane might be backward she was far from mentally deficient. It called for her release.

Jane now willingly—for the first time in her life—returned to the institution. She was at once given 14 days' leave, and when that expired was given another spell at home. Then, just under a month after she returned to the home, she was free.

From this case the council learned one disturbing thought.

"Is it fair," the investigators wonder, "to leave the determination of release from licence to the superintendent of an institution when the patient in question is perhaps one of the institution's most efficient workers? Is not that situation putting too great a strain on human nature that might lead to unfortunate temptations?"

3 The case of May

May was not really a naughty girl, but back in the days of 1913 she was a little—shall we say—unconventional.

Near where she lived was a large camp of soldiers. She liked after her she liked the brightly polished buttons, and, above all, she liked company. Perhaps it was all wrong, but the other girls played there too.

May soon found how wrong she was. Certified as feeble-minded, she was sent to a mental institution.

May's story has no happy ending. Today, approaching 40, May is still in an institution, with no prospect of release. Although only slightly sub-normal herself, she is compelled to live continuously in the company of hopeless imbeciles.

Her whole life has been spent as a domestic worker in kitchen and laundry. She now gets 6d. every week and a small sum is

placed to her credit every month.

Her story is best told by the man who investigated her case.

"I first heard of May in 1930," he reports. "I met her one day during one of her rare spells of leniency. I was sure she was normal and applied for her release. Discharge was refused without reason being given."

"In July 1940 my application was again refused, but in December she was released on licence and given work in a Ministry of Health Emergency Hospital."

"Two years later she was back in the institution. Her crime? She had written a note to a man with whom she had become acquainted."

"I tried to get the wrong righted. I enlisted the help of the local Medical Officer of Health. After examining all the documents he agreed that her recall might have been unjust."

"The result was that May, in 1943, was given another spell on licence at another hospital."

"But two years passed, and May was back. One of the girls released with her had 'misbehaved.' May was also accused of having 'misbehaved.' But there was no evidence of that at all."

Out for year

"When I came out of the Forces I tried to get her freed again. The letter I got from the authorities shocked me. It confirmed that May had not got into trouble, but added: 'Although May is 45 years of age she is not yet beyond the stage of child-bearing.'"

"But I got her out again at the end of 1947. Her liberty lasted a year. In 1949 she got a postcard from a man. This is her account of it:

"While I was at home on my holidays in the summer I met a young man, and he sent me a postcard to say he was away on his holiday. It was given to me."

"That was the end of the outside world for May. What on the face of it all was a commonplace little incident of everyday life has condemned her to the confining walls."

She will live under institutional care until she either dies or passes the stage of child-bearing. A slip in her teens that has been easily corrected has caused her to endure 32 years in mental institutions. She is unlikely to be released now.

Whaling by helicopter

Off the coast of Portugal recently they have been hunting whales (and killing them) by helicopter.

This news is given by J. B. Dominick, who writes from Lisbon to say that the "Jack-of-all-trades" of the sky was piloted in its new role by two young men from Britain.

Their helicopter venture was an attempt to revolutionise the technique of whaling.

The Portuguese naval authorities provided every facility in their Fleet Air Arm base, and have followed the experiment with interest.

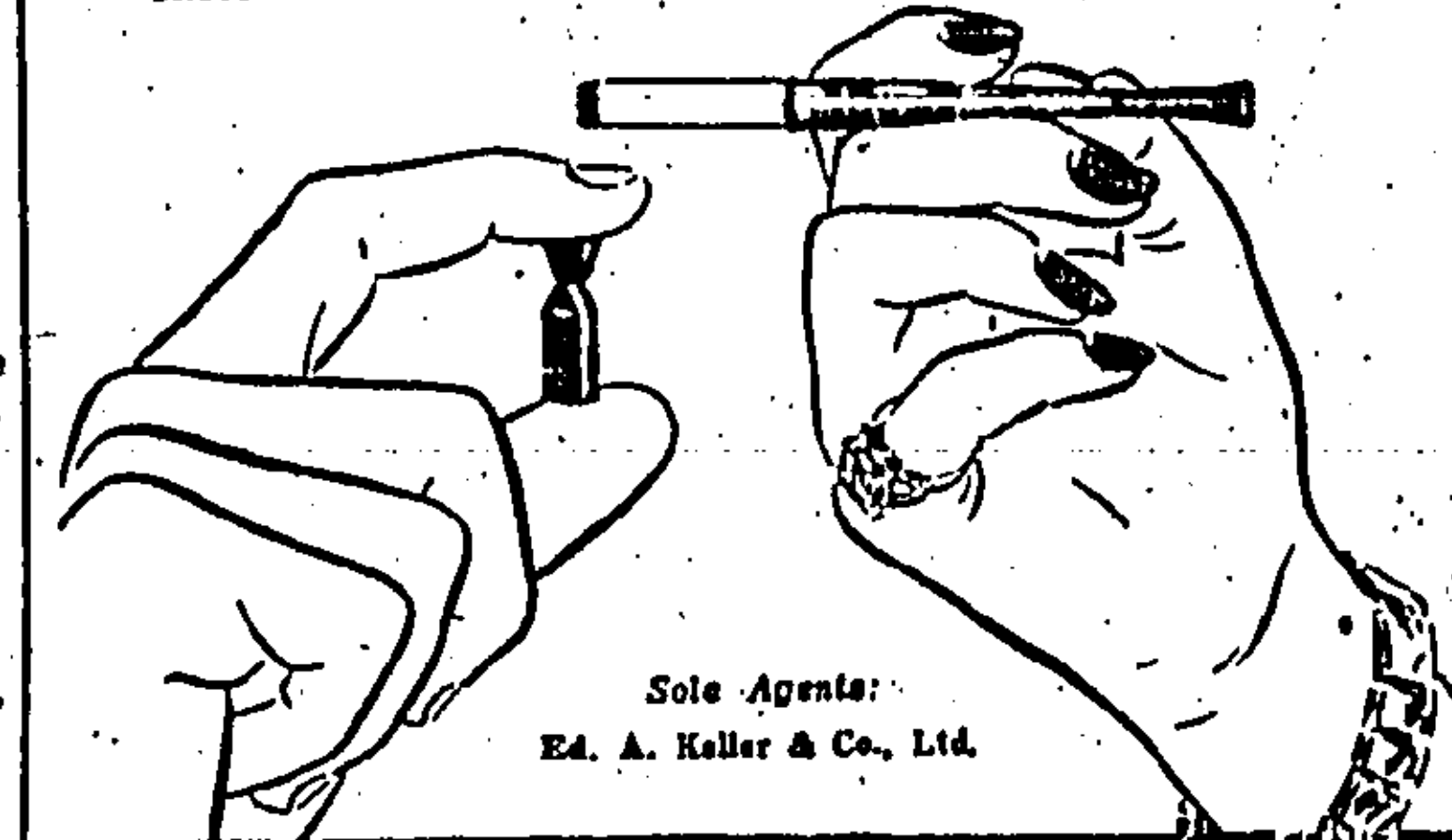
First the helicopter "spots" the whale, then goes in to the attack. A harpoon bomb is dropped from a height of 50 feet—enough to drive it well in—and after the explosion the war-head automatically injects compressed air into the whale to keep the carcass afloat.

The job done, the helicopter calls the factory ship by wireless and a launch is sent out to collect the whale.

All too mechanical, you might think, but you would be wrong. To introduce a certain "sporting" element into the whole affair the helicopters—if they are adopted—will not be fitted with bomb doors. Instead the marksman will fling the harpoon bomb from a side door. If he misses, he can always "fly on" to his next target.

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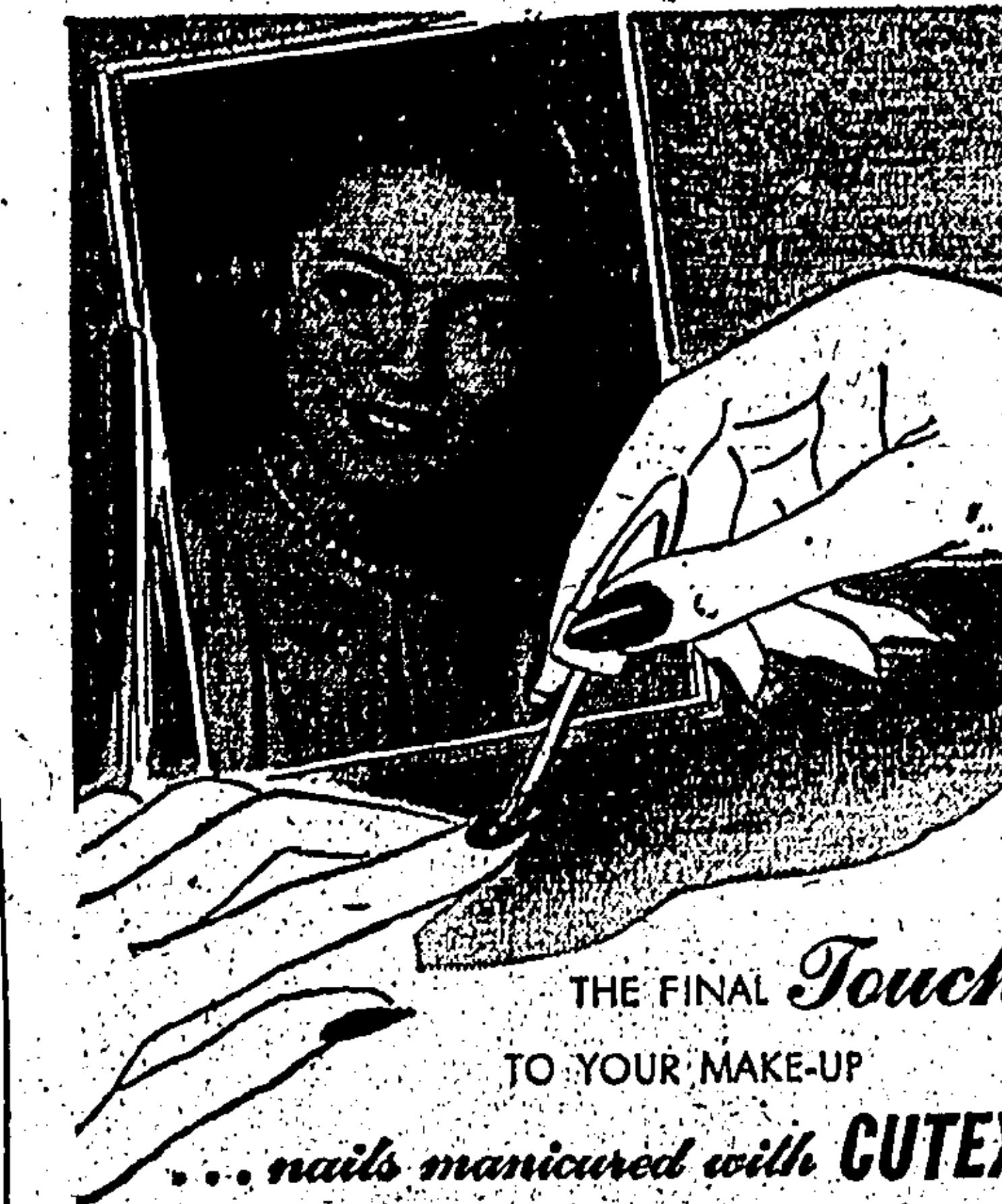


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Between Ourselves

Lingerie with a difference

By Christine Jackson

Straight is the fundamental line for fashion — and it calls for a new kind of control: bosoms are rounder, waistlines less marked, hips slimmed and straightened.

Every smart woman knows that to be well dressed she must begin next to her skin with the right foundation for fashion. Also, that the brassiere or girdle she wears should be determined partly by her own figure and partly by the costume that she plans to wear over it.

Right now, the changing fashion silhouette calls for a new kind of control. Outlines are narrowed and puffed down; girdles and corsets are longer to mould the thigh line—the whole shape, having a straightness reminiscent of the 20's. Today you can find more and better control in half a handful of nylon power net weighing thing in the Spartan days of stays and stomachers when Grandmother wore a contraption of whalebone and lacing weighing approximately two pounds!

The new pared, diminished fashion outlines begin with your slips and underthings. This season they are much shorter to wear with the shorter skirt or slit skirt. Real chemises—a new kind of freedom under sports clothes. And just as important as length (or the lack of it) is the pared-down bulk of underthings so that under everything there is a new figure-hugging narrowness. One style, by John Norman, comes in permanently pleated nylon net and imported French lace; a further design, good under sports clothes or culottes, features a boned, elasticised top to stay up, in white cotton batiste.

The half-slip is still with us and enjoying even more popularity. In a variety of pastels and fabrics—though still favouring percales and batistes—it features a little-girt petticoat with three ruffles threaded with ribbon in flat, pantalon tiers and elasticised waist-band, and is a definite "must" for hot summer days and nights.

Trimnings for underwear come in a wide variety—applique for the sleek, sculptured top of a slip; lace and eyelet embroidery for the hem and even tiny braiding in self-material to edge nightgowns and pyjamas.

What better for a trousseau than a frothy peignoir, spilling softly from a ruffled yoke, all sweetness and light in embroidered eyelet. Short puffed-up sleeves, ruffled-trimmed, and tying once under the chin, with a tiny black velvet bow. Its wearability is boundless, and it makes a fitting picture for a companion.

In the crispier, more tailored line comes the scenic-sleeve for beautiful mornings, an about-the-house-coat, bouffant as a dancing dress with Venice lace, cinched at the hips, wide collar that lifts off the neck. For those who prefer their breakfast in bed, there is a silky jacket of rayon crepe, with elasticised smocking across the shoulders, clinging cuffs, a satin tie, and satin piping.

The sky's the limit in the land of Uggie—be it a nightgown, Grecian and sculptured, frothy and frothy. The sketch at the right shows one of the latter which can be worn with long sleeves or sleeveless. In fine, white cotton, it features a drawstring neckline and waistline, with a further ripple of control-dery. Cool and wearable for summer, it is equally at home with the addition of bishop sleeves in a heavy rayon crepe or satin for winter-evenings.

U.S. as a woman sees it

There's a book in the Iowa Municipal Library that is becoming dog-eared before its time, and has a waiting list of all the female cashiers in the city.

It is entitled "Armed Robbery: A Manual for Persons Likely To Be Held Up" and is full of helpful little hints by Dr. Richard L. Holcomb, a professor at Iowa State University.

He says that if you are in a bank or office and people come and wave guns in your face, don't talk any more than you have to. And certainly, "he says, "avoid laughing or sneering at them."

If you have a cold, be extra careful. Do not cough, says the professor, and don't reach for a box of tissues, as this might be mistaken for a sign of weakness.

Wait till the bandits have gone before putting the police on their trail—its safer.

But watch them for any physical peculiarities—unless you are told to look the other way. A man's ears, continues Dr. Holcomb, in this fascinating treatise, are better for identification purposes than his nose or small teeth.

Let the bandits get clear, look out of the window to see if they went this way or that way, and then call the police.

This is definitely the tall girl's season. Clothes might have been designed for the girl who wants to cut her height and add width to her figure.

The over-dye-foot tevers should embrace the "top-heavy" look for all its worth. It couldn't be more flattering.

The short box jacket, the bloused and belted tunic and the huge sleeve are all a godsend to the tall girl who is a goddess on the thin side. And the "sheath" dress or skirt which usually accompanies them has her slant.

The medium-length blouse which are coming back are better for her than excessively full ones, which sometimes make a very tall girl look awkward.

This season's hats are good, too. The small hat dipping to one



An attractive nightgown of fine, white cotton, which can be worn with long sleeves or sleeveless.

side, diverts the attention downwards and the flat, wide-brimmed sailor worn absolutely straight on a sleek head is just what the doctor ordered to cut her inches.

Madame Balmain, now in America on a visit with her famous dress-designer son, Pierre, is living proof of the fact that wearing a size 18 dress needn't spell dowdiness.

All her clothes for her trip were selected from Balmain's spring collection which most fashion critics consider caters for slim youthful size twelve.

Her taste is so excellent that her son tries out a preview of every collection on her, and what Madame Balmain says goes.

If she doesn't like a garment, it just doesn't appear in the collection.

Her wardrobe for the American visit is a miracle of chic and brevity, and weighs exactly the 60 pounds allowed by the airline.

It includes three loose wool coats, two daytime suits and a black dress, one for cocktails; a navy wool dress, some shantung dresses and several evening gowns.

Most New Yorkers remember the blizzard of 1897 without too much trouble. Cary Beckwith has particular reason to shudder, because every hour, on the hour, she had to trudge across the street from the U.S. Weather Bureau to thick boots to make the snow on a lawn in Battery Park. She was trailed by a "convoy" of reporters on each trip.

"To be official," she explained, "the mercury must be done on a lawn. There might be heat under a roof, or on a sidewalk or a street, and that would mean melting snow."

Coryl was official "climatologist" to the Weather Bureau of the time and used to do a sunrise broadcast which got her into a lot of trouble.

It seemed odd just to say "Six o'clock temperature, 10 degrees," so Miss Beckwith began to live it up with a description of the shipping coming up the river. She slipped in "Shakes of Shakes" here and there—(Look, Love, night's candles burn out—and appropriate quotations from the Bible such as "The morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy."

But Washington, writing in dignified agony, told Miss Beckwith that in future she was to confine herself to the weather.

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Jane goes formal



The evenings are for dancing, and Jane Russell is ready with these three lovely creations. Jane, who is an up-and-coming RKO-RADIO star wears, left, an emerald-green corded satin gown. Finely striped with black, the dress has a moulded neckline which falls into fullness at the back. Intricate folds of the material form the flattering bodice. Gloves are same material as the gown. The creation in the centre is called "Black Bubble." In an evening dress designed for her by Don Lopez, Jane Russell has that regal look. Of black silk, taffeta, the form-fitting bodice flows into a voluminous full skirt, embellished with black velvet circles. The fichu collar is a flattering frame for Jane's dark beauty. A corage of black velvet, violata is fastened at the low décolletage. With the gown she wears gloves and sandals of black suede. At right we have "Command Performance," a stunning white satin ball gown designed by Marula. Taking her cue from a Medici princess, Marula used yards of Duchesse satin in the skirt, while the strapless bodice has a beautiful hand-embroidered flower design done in crystal beads. The white net stole is added for flattery.

Meet the flapper
of 1950

By DOROTHY ROE

She has been on the way for some time, but this spring's fashions will put her squarely in the vanguard of the style parade, which she led so confidently back in 1925. From her short skirts to her shorter hair, she is back, like it or not.

New York designers are showing spring styles so reminiscent of the Roaring Twenties that the nation's fashion editors, arriving for the semi-annual showings of the couture group of the New York Dress Institute, will rub their eyes to be sure they are not seeing a playback of a jazz-age movie.

The tight sheath dresses, the wrap-around coats, even the peekaboo Georgeanne blouses of the flapper era are back in the spotlight. There is, however, one reassuring difference—though the styles are similar to those of 25 years ago, the shape of the girl who wears them is not. Miss 1950 insists on retaining her natural curves and her slim waistline, and not for the sables in Russia will she consent to the flat-chested "boyish form" of 1925.

The chemise dress, that straight sheath with the bathing suit neckline so popular in the Charleston era, is a major trend of the season among top designers. Sometimes it is shown as a georgette or chiffon, complete with beading. Sometimes it is worn beneath a sheer redingote or overskirt, which disguises its uncompromising straight lines. And sometimes it forms the basis of a dress-and-jacket outfit.

In sheer wool

Many of the big town's top tailors are showing sleeveless sheath dresses in sheer wool instead of the usual skirt to team with tailored suit jackets. The idea is that, with jacket, the wearer is dressed suitably for shopping or office; without the jacket she is wearing a short, sleeveless, low-necked dinner dress, and is all set for whatever festivities the evening may hold.

The spring coat picture is more varied, but most popular is likely to be the "little overcoat" with big sleeves, often elbow length and deeply belted. It is shown in pale or bright, sleek, sometimes lined in bright plaid gingham.

There is also a return of the dressmaker coat in navy or black

silk faille or a mixture of silk and worsted. This usually is fitted, nipped at the waist, rounded as to sleeve and shoulder, flared as to skirt, and full-length. Many spring suits go in for large sailor collars or wide flaring lapels. Skirts are uniformly straight and slim, noticeably shorter than last year's styles.

Though the trend is definitely nostalgic, many simple, wearable clothes are to be found in the spring offerings, and the woman of conservative tastes will have little difficulty in finding clothes that are both flattering and unostentatious. The slim silhouette which dominated all collections is certainly more becoming to the average figure than the late, unlamented "new look."

Waistlines, though in some instances edging downward, are in most cases normal. Though the silhouette is rounded over the belt, wise designers for the most part are adding discreet shoulder pads, because they know that most women's figures demand them.—Associated Press.

Woman's big job
in film studios

A few years ago a young continually girl obtained a job in a film studio in England at the salary of £3 a week. Today she is casting director at Ealing Studios, London, in place of her retiring chief.

Slim, with comfortable personality and ready smile, Miss Harper-Nelson will be in charge of the selection and signing of film players, from £100 a day stars to £10 or £15 a day character actors. Promotion holds no qualms for her. She has been assistant casting director for three years, and came to the studios from a war-time association which provides entertainment for the troops.

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Ann Temple
Question of taste

Can one separate the sense of taste from that of smell? If not, should one trick one's children into eating something which is good for them but which they don't like by dressing it with something which smells good to them?

Is "what you fancy" in other words, your sense of taste—really any indication of what you need in the way of nourishment?—MOTHER.

In location the two senses are separate. The taste senses are in the mouth—bitter, taste at the back of the tongue, sweet at the tip, sour at the sides, salty at the tip and front sides. But food in the mouth stimulates the sense of smell (in the throat and nasal passages). The flavour of food is mostly smell.

If the children enjoy the dressed food then the enjoyment has value for them in addition to the nourishment in the food. But the consistency of food is also a consideration. "Slippery" porridge is nauseating to some children and no amount of smell enchantment can make it enjoyable. Forcing it on them is unwise.

Taste certainly is an indication of requirement. A craving for sweets indicates a deficiency of the inactivity in the chemistry of the body.

Meats cannot or should not be enjoyed for the food alone. The palate is closely related to pleasant serving, colour, novelty, freshness, and spotless cleanliness. A pleasant emotional state is also indispensable. A meal eaten when you are anxious, hot and bothered give you indigestion. The same meal in cheerful company, interspersed with pleasant talk and laughter, digests without your knowing it. Enjoyment goes you all sorts of good.

Do you consider it effeminate for a young man, not wishing to have his fingers coated with ugly nicotine stains, to use a cigarette holder? My friends inform me that it is a sign of foppishness and snobbery.—P. F. V.

Not I would say, a sign of foppishness, but unfortunately it is associated with foppishness. It doesn't pay to be wiser than your contemporaries! If you are one of those who cannot smoke without staining his fingers, use the holder. It is decidedly the lesser of two evils. Nicotine stained fingers are utterly revolting.

But isn't it a matter of how you hold your cigarette? A little care and practice would surely give you the necessary dexterity.

My brother is marrying my husband's niece. On which side of the church is it, correct for my husband and I to sit? We shall enjoy the ceremony wherever we sit, but don't wish to upset touchy relatives.—DEVON.

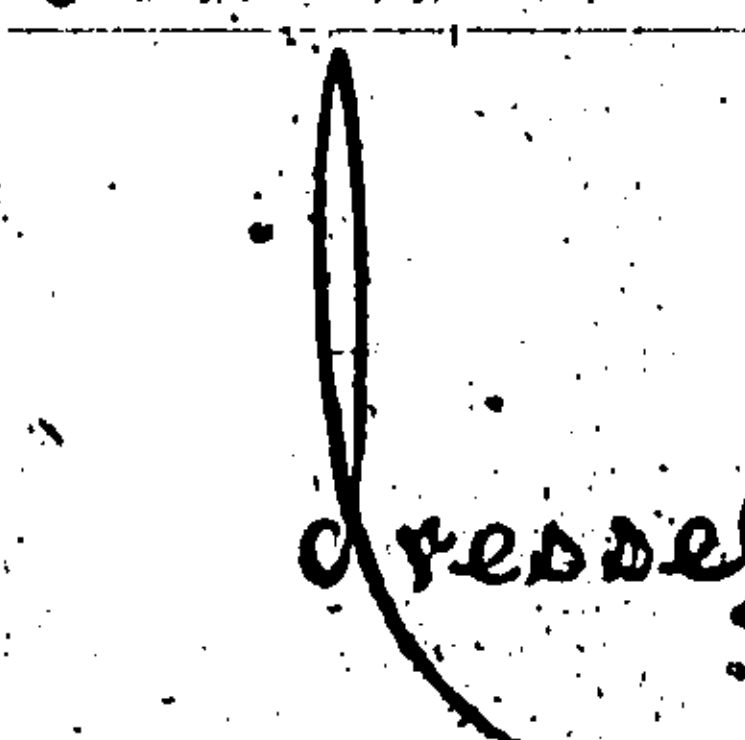
I know. These "little things" at weddings can cause quite big family feuds.

The closer relationship is between yourself and brother and takes priority. So you would be on the right-hand side facing the altar, which is the bridegroom's side of the church.

Should the reply to an invitation to a wedding from close personal friends be formal or a little personal note? These replies to formal invitations from friends have always had me guessing.—NAN.

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SENATE ACTION ON FUNDS FOR EUROPE

CHAMBER ON JAPAN TREATY

Washington, May 6. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce today adopted a resolution calling for the United States to intensify efforts to bring about a formal state of peace in the Pacific.

The resolution placed the Chamber's 1,343,000 members in favour of ending the state of war with Japan. It is still impossible to draft a peace treaty at this time.

The Chamber of Commerce made the proviso that termination of the state of war should be subject to security and such other reservations as may be necessary.

The organization urged that interim action be taken by the U. S. Government in concert with freedom loving allies, if possible, or alone if such action proved out of the question.

Termination of the state of war would make possible the reduction of military and civilian staffs of the occupation, thereby reducing the burden on both Japanese and American economies.—Associated Press.

TEA SUGGESTION

Calcutta, May 5. Umedbhai K. Patel, President of the Calcutta Tea Merchants' Association, today urged the Indian Government to reduce the quantity of 250,000 lbs. of tea offered to Britain this year to facilitate the offer of quality teas to hard currency areas at the Calcutta auctions.

India should act in the matter in consultation with Ceylon and Pakistan, Mr. Patel told the Association's annual conference here. He was not hopeful of gains to the Indian tea industry because of the opening of the London auctions.

"It would be unwise to depend on a single marketing centre so distant from the producing countries," he said.

Mr. Patel estimated that the production in India is moving up though there are no prospects of over-production in the near future.

According to the Planters' Association, tea production in India at present totals 579,000,000 lbs. annually.—Reuters.

TEA TAX UP

New Delhi, May 5. The Government today announced that the export tax on tea will be increased beginning at midnight from one rupee 10 annas per 100 pounds to two rupees.—United Press.

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Hong Kong, May 5, 1950.

Washington, May 5. The Senate today defeated two attempts to cut the \$3,100,000,000 Marshall Plan authorisation for 1950-51.

Two amendments to the funds by \$1,000,000,000 and \$500,000,000 were both rejected, though later a cut of \$250,000,000 was approved.

Voting on the first amendment was 62 to 17.

The second amendment, to cut the funds by \$500,000,000, was rejected on a tie vote.

Britain's share of the proposed aid money is estimated at \$687,000,000.

Mr. Scott Lucas, Democratic leader in the Senate, declared today that if war came, Britain was the only country in Europe on which the United States could depend.

The global Aid Bill would authorise, in addition to the Marshall Plan funds, \$100,000,000 for Korea, about \$100,000,000 for the non-Communist China area, \$27,490,000 for Palestine Arab refugees and \$45,000,000 for the Point Four programme of technical help to the world's under-developed areas.

The Senate vote today would not be a final action on the aid money as the Bill is an authorisation measure which, in effect, sets a ceiling on the amount for foreign aid.

The actual sums to be given will be decided later after both the Senate and the House of Representatives act on foreign aid appropriation bills.

Cut voted

Later the Senate voted to cut by \$250,000,000 the \$3,100,000,000 Marshall Plan authorisation for 1950-51.

The amendment, sponsored by Mr. Styles Bridges (Republican Senator, New Hampshire) was approved by 47 to 33.

The Senate rejected, in a tie vote of 40 in favour and 40 against, an amendment sponsored by Mr. Robert Taft (Republican Senator, Ohio) and Mr. Irving Ives (Republican Senator, New York) to cut Marshall Plan funds by \$500,000,000.

Under Senate rules an amendment loses on a tie vote.

The vote to cut Marshall Plan funds by \$250,000,000 was the Truman Administration's first defeat on the Aid Bill in the Senate.

The House of Representatives, when debating its version of the Bill, also voted to reduce Marshall Plan funds by \$250,000,000.

On a voice vote, the Senate rejected an amendment by Mr. George Malone (Republican, Nevada) requiring Marshall Plan countries to remove currency restrictions and restore convertibility.—Reuters.

San Francisco, May 5. Ship arrival: Silver Walnut from Manila.—Associated Press.

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Japanese competition for Britain

London, May 5. A British trade expert warned today of increasing Japanese competition in India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon. Maurice J. Watt, of the Commonwealth Trade Department of the Federation of British Industries, said big quantities of Japanese goods are now flowing into Asian markets. He has just returned from a tour of the four countries.

In the eight months ended November, 1949, he said, Japan exported three times as much to India as in the 12 months ended March, 1949.—Associated Press.

Finnish threat blows over

Helsinki, May 5. The main danger of a general strike in Finland blew over today when the Government granted Civil Servants salary increases and brought industrial employers and workers together.

The Civil Servants, through their union, the Salaried Employees' Central Organisation, had joined with the Trades Union Federation in calling a general strike for next Monday unless their wage claims were satisfied.

The Government granted the Civil Servants about what they asked.

"At the same time it brought together the Trades Unions Federation and the Employers' Federation to hammer out a scheme for pegging wages to the cost of living index again.

Delegates refused to confirm agreement, but said that they were optimistic.

Finland's engine drivers and firemen's unions tonight stated that they will call a total railway strike for tomorrow evening unless the Government cancels its conscription order to their striking members.

A strike would halt a Russian train from the frontier—to the Soviet military base at Porkkala, outside Helsinki.

"So far strikers have handled those trains to avoid embarrassing the Government in its relations with Russia.—Reuters.

GERMAN-PAKISTAN TRADE PACT

Bonn, May 5. The West German Cabinet today approved the commercial agreement with Pakistan which was initially signed in Frankfurt in March.

The agreement will now go to Parliament for ratification.

A Government spokesman said the agreement was passed on the most-favoured-nation principle and provided for the production of German trade marks and for German shipping.

Germany expects to receive from Pakistan wheat, raw cotton and jute, and will send iron, machinery, tin-plate and motors.—Reuters.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, May 5. Radio television stocks pulled out of yesterday's slump in a lively rally today. They advanced fractions to around a point in a generally improved market. Price changes elsewhere—with several exceptions—were mostly fractional. Gains outnumbered losses by a large margin.

Transfers totalled 1,790,000 shares.

Rails did well, along with oils, coppers and a selection of industrial and utility shares. Gainers included Philco, Zenith, Magnavox, Emerson Radio, Admiral Corporation, Warner Brothers, Pictures, Superior Oil of California.

Dow Jones Averages: Stocks 76.80; 20 Industrials 215.72; 15 Rails 56.35; 10 Utilities 43.28.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 22
Alaska Juneau 2 1/2
American Can 11 1/4
Smelling 5 1/4
Telephone 15 1/2
Tobacco 69 1/2
Waterworks 10 1/2

Anaconda Copper 31 1/2
Aviation Corp. 8 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive 10 1/2
Barnsdall 5 1/2
Bethlehem Steel 39 1/2
Boeing Aircraft 30 1/2
Borden Co. 51
Canadian Pacific 15 1/2
J. I. Case 43 1/2
Chrysler 68 1/2
Colgate 44 1/2
Commercial Solvent 17 1/2
Corn Products 67 1/2
Du Pont 73 1/2
Eastman Kodak 47
General Electric 49 1/2
Motors 85

Goodrich 85 1/2
Goodyear 51 1/2
Homestake Mining 45 1/2
International Harvester 27 1/2
Paper 43 1/2
Tel. & Tel. 13 1/2

Johns Manville 48 1/2
Kennecott Copper 53 1/2
Montgomery Ward 59 1/2
National Distillers 21 1/2
Lead 41 1/2

New York Central 14
Packard Motors 4
Pan American Airways 9 1/2
Pennsylvania RR 10 1/2
Radio Corp. 21 1/2
Remington Rand 13
Republic Steel 30 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco 37 1/2
Schenley 31 1/2
Sears Roebuck 44 1/2
Shell Oil 40 1/2
Socony Vacuum 17 1/2
Southern Pacific 53 1/2
Standard Brands 23 1/2
Oil of Calif. 60 1/2
Oil of N. J. 72 1/2

Studebaker 33 1/2
Union Bag 20 1/2
US Rubber 42 1/2
Steel 32 1/2
Lines 15 1/2
Westinghouse 35
Youngstown Sheet & Steel 82 1/2
Gen. Pub. Utilities 17 1/2
Bonds—were mixed. Rail bonds stiffened.

Among curb gainers were Pancoast Oil, Raytheon, Cities Service and Royall Oil.—Associated Press.

London, May 5. Fractional gains by gilt-edged issues featured trading on the Stock Exchange. Leading industrial followed the same trend with small gains recorded in textiles, iron and steel.

Financial Times Index 108.0.—Associated Press.

NY RUBBER

New York, May 5. Crude rubber No. 1 futures closed 45 to 60 higher.

May 29.60
July 25.58 - 60
September 23.45 bid
December 22.35 - 36
Spot No. 1 ribbed smoked sheets 20 1/2 nominal.—Associated Press.

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"BENALDER"	"	25th June
"BENAVON"	"	9th July

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"BENCRAUCHAN"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg	10th May
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"BENWYVIB"	Liverpool, Dublin, Rotterdam, Hamburg	17th May
"BENARTY"	Genoa, Le Havre, London & Hamburg	10th June
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RAIN CURTAILS BOWLS PROGRAMME

All First Division games postponed

The 1950-Lawn Bowls League season did not get off to a very auspicious start yesterday, a heavy downpour shortly after 3 p.m. resulting in a drastic curtailment of the programme. While all First Division games were postponed, only two matches were played in the Second Division and two in the Third Division.

In the Second Division, Hong Kong Football Club did extremely well to beat a strong Talkoo combination by three shots.

For their victory, the Football Club have to thank L.A. Collyer and his men for their splendid effort.

Although they won on two rinks, Prison Officers Club, last year's Third Division Champions lost to the Indian Recreation Club by 15 shots.

In the Third Division, Club de Recreo beat Kowloon Cricket Club on two rinks and by 14 shots, while the Indian Recreation Club also won on two rinks to beat the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club at Sookunpoo by 15 shots.

SECOND DIVISION

HKFC — TDC

An exciting finish marked the Second Division Lawn Bowls League game between Hong Kong Football Club and Talkoo Dock Club at Happy Valley, which ended in a win for the Football Club by three shots, the final score being 54-51.

The only HKFC rink to win was that of L. Collyer, whose victory gave the Club three points. Talkoo won on two rinks.

HKFC

D. Collyer (Skip) 29
B. Collyer (Skip) 29
I. Urquhart (Skip) 29
L.A. Collyer (Skip) 29
L.F. Hamley (Skip) 29
D. Fitches (Skip) 29
H. McKenzie (Skip) 29
H.B.L. Dowling (Skip) 29
L. Stevens (Skip) 29
C.W. Sargison (Skip) 29
L. Jones (Skip) 29
E.L. Strange (Skip) 29

TDC

R.B. Marshall (Skip) 29
W. Brown (Skip) 29
S.J. Hollock (Skip) 29
J.B. Baxter (Skip) 29
W.J. McKie (Skip) 29
J. Kiniburgh (Skip) 29
H. Stevens (Skip) 29
W. Henton (Skip) 29
B. Boyard (Skip) 29
J.C. Chalmers (Skip) 29

IRC — POC

Playing at home in their Second Division Lawn Bowls League match against Prison Officers Club, Indian Recreation Club won by 15 shots, the final score 70-55.

The visitors won on two rinks, but Madan's big win over Higgins and his men proved too much for the visitors.

IRC

A. Kudir (Skip) 24
S.A.R. Bux (Skip) 24
S.M. Rumsan (Skip) 24
A.M. Rumsan (Skip) 24
S.O. Bux (Skip) 24
A.H. Seemla (Skip) 24
A.R. Razack (Skip) 24
A.M. Wahab (Skip) 24
M.Y. Dal (Skip) 24
A.K. Omar (Skip) 24
Y.A. Razack (Skip) 24
A.O. Mader (Skip) 24

POC

J. Bond (Skip) 24
W. Woodward (Skip) 24
Dr. Shaw (Skip) 24
J. Burn (Skip) 24
L. McTavish (Skip) 24
J. Scott (Skip) 24
J. McCutcheon (Skip) 24
N. Esh (Skip) 24
P. Loftus (Skip) 24
A. Salmon (Skip) 24
W. C. Higgs (Skip) 24

THIRD DIVISION

KCC — Recreo

Visiting Cox's Road for their Third Division Lawn Bowls League match against the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday, Club de Recreo beat their hosts by 14 shots, the final score being 65-51.

The visitors won on two rinks and lost on one, thus scoring four out of five points.

F. Howarth and his men were responsible for the home rink's only point, scoring four shots on the last head to win by a single shot.

KCC	Recreo
J. Redman (Skip) 19	L. A. Rodriguez (Skip) 20
L. V. Catt (Skip) 19	R. A. Campos (Skip) 20
L. Brezzy (Skip) 19	M. L. Roza (Skip) 20
W. H. Cowie (Skip) 19	L. A. Rozario (Skip) 20
J. MacLean (Skip) 19	E. A. Pina (Skip) 20
H. A. Trigas (Skip) 19	L. F. Lopez (Skip) 20
J. G. MacFarlane (Skip) 19	M. Ferreira (Skip) 20
F. Howarth (Skip) 19	J. Basto (Skip) 20
M. A. Grimpel (Skip) 19	A. A. Gutierrez (Skip) 20
V. Baker (Skip) 19	J. A. Victor (Skip) 20
J. A. Tibble (Skip) 19	S. E. Souza (Skip) 20
E. E. Lawrence (Skip) 19	D. C. Alves (Skip) 20
Total 51	Total 65

LAWN BOWLS RESULTS AT A GLANCE

SECOND DIVISION

HKFC (1) 54	TDC (2) 51
IRC (1) 70	POC (2) 55

THIRD DIVISION

KCC (1) 51	Recreo (2) 65
IRC (2) 69	HKFC (1) 54

IRC — HKERC

Winning on two rinks, Indian Recreation Club, playing at home in their Third Division Lawn Bowls League match, beat the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club by 15 shots, the final score being 69-54.

The visitors won on one rink, Gardner and his men beating Rahman's rink by nine shots.

IRC	HKERC
F.M. el-Areul (Skip) 17	P. Paul (Skip) 17
J. Kitchell (Skip) 17	D. Bottemley (Skip) 17
A.H. Abbas (Skip) 17	J. Barron (Skip) 17
O.R. Sadiek (Skip) 17	G. Ryder (Skip) 17
E.R. Marker (Skip) 17	J. Mundy (Skip) 17
A.B. Kitchell (Skip) 17	W. Stoker (Skip) 17
D.M.A. Razack (Skip) 17	W.E. Macfarlane (Skip) 17
A.R.A. Rahman (Skip) 17	A.G. Gardner (Skip) 17
A. Bichoo (Skip) 17	C.W.C. Crawford (Skip) 17
S. Abou (Skip) 17	J.O. Stoker (Skip) 17
M.A. Wahab (Skip) 17	G.T. Padgett (Skip) 17
A.R. Kitchell (Skip) 17	F.A. Golding (Skip) 17
Total 69	Total 54

European zone Davis Cup ties commence

London, May 5. European Zone Davis Cup ties were started today at Zagreb, in Yugoslavia, and Scheveningen, (Holland). At Zagreb Yugoslavia gained a two-match to zero lead, against Austria winning the two singles when Josef Pallada beat on-armed Redi 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 and Milan Brankovic beat Alfred Schuber 6-2, 6-1 and 6-4.

The same four players will contest the doubles tomorrow.

In the other match between Holland and Sweden, Sweden gained a 2-0 lead, winning both the singles today, Lennart Bergelin beat Noka Linck 6-3, 6-2 and 6-1 and Torsten Johanson beat Rob. Van-Meegeren 6-1, 6-2 and 6-4.—Reuter.

Popular S'hai jockey in HK

Mr. V. H. "Sonny" Oliveira, well known Shanghai jockey, has just arrived from the Whampoo metropolis. A popular sportsman on Shanghai's race course before the Chinese authorities banned horse-racing, Mr. Oliveira is an accomplished rider of Australian ponies.

DERBY CALLOVER

London, May 5. M. Marcel Boussac's "dark horse" for the Epsom Derby, Pardal, was backed down to 9 to 1 at the callower on the race at the Victoria Club here tonight.

At the last callover on Monday, Pardal was quoted at 100 to 7. Galador, a stable companion of Pardal, was not quoted although 25 to 1 was offered about him on Monday.

The American colt, Prince Simon, the favourite, shortened a fraction from the three to 11 to 4, while Lord Rosebery's Castle Rock, impressive winner of the Chester Vase today, hardened slightly from 17 to 2 to 8 to 1.

The Aga Khan's Eclat and Lord Derby's Hope Perigueux, who are expected to oppose Prince Simon in his next race, the Newmarket Stakes, next Wednesday, remained steady at 50 to 1. The full betting list: 11 to 4 Prince Simon, 5 to 1 Castle Rock, 9 to 1 Pardal, 100 to 8 L'Amiral, 20 to 1 Eclat and Perigueux, 25 to 1 Double Eclipse and Vieux Manoir, 35 to 1 any others.—Reuter.

Chester Cup field

London, May 5. A field of 15 is likely to go to the post for the Chester Cup, to be run over two miles, two furlongs and 77 yards at Chester tomorrow afternoon. The race is timed to start at 3.15 p.m. BST.

Probable runners with jockeys are as follows:

Heron Bridge (T. Buras), Capellucca (E.H. Smith), Honourable (G. Littlewood), Cider Apple (T. Wills), Blue Fox (Paul Blane), Father Thames (W. Rickaby), Port Peace (Doug Smith), Usher (J. Walker), Royal Pae (Harbert Jones), John Moore (Alec Carson), Amir (W. Cox), Apple Honey (N. Stirk), Rosalinda (D. Greening) and Cecil's Choice (J. Egan).—Reuter.

ITALY WINS CUP OF NATIONS

Rome, May 5. Italy won the Cup of the Nations, the most important event at the International Horse Show here. They incurred only 24 1/2 errors in today's event.

France, the holders, were second with 27 1/2, while Chile came third with 29 1/2 points. Elro were fourth with 49 and Switzerland fifth with 78 1/2 points.

Riders had to make two circuits of the course, with 12 obstacles, in each and in showers of weather on a turf which became treacherously slippery.

The Italians showed superb horsemanship.—Reuter.

RAF Athletic Meet:

Inter-Section Cup won by 367 Unit

The heavy downpour yesterday afternoon did not serve to dampen the enthusiasm of the large gathering present at the Royal Air Force Athletic Meet at Kai Tak.

The Inter-Section Athletic Cup was won by 367 Unit RAF while a Victor Ladder Cup was annexed by Pilot Officer Davies, who was the best individual athlete of the Meet.

During the intervals, the band of the South Staffordshire Regiment, by kind permission of the Officer Commanding, Colonel F.L. Martin, DSO, rendered selections. On conclusion of the Meet, prizes were presented to the successful contestants by Mrs. A.D. Davies, wife of Air Commodore Davies.

The following are the result of the Meet:

1. 220 yards: 1. Hamza (91 Squadron); 2. Jennings (T. Wing); 3. Nicholson (T. Wing).
2. 100 yards: 1. McMillan (T. Wing); 2. Roberts (367 Unit); 3. Abrey (F. Wing).
3. High Jump: 1. Condy (367 Unit); 2. Simson (T. Wing); 3. Rawstron (Admin.).

4. 100 yards: 1. Hamza (91 Squadron); 2. Jennings (T. Wing); 3. Nicholson (T. Wing).
5. Throwing Hammer: 1. McDonald (Admin.); 2. McMillan (T. Wing); 3. Nicholson (T. Wing).
6. Shot Put: 1. McMillan (T. Wing); 2. Roberts (367 Unit); 3. Abrey (F. Wing).
7. Long Jump: 1. Bloomfield (T. Wing); 2. Edwards (367 Unit); 3. Davies (F. Wing).
8. 440 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Grovesford (367 Unit); 3. Rahman (91 Squadron).
9. 120 yards hurdles: 1. Shook (91 Squadron); 2. Rahman (91 Squadron); 3. Davies (F. Wing).
10. Discus: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Roberts (367 Unit); 3. Irvine (91 Squadron).
11. 410 yards Inter-section Relay race: 1. T. Wing; Time: 47.2 seconds; 2. 367 Unit; 3. 91 Squadron.

12. One Mile: 1. Burrows (367 Unit); 2. Bolton (367 Unit); 3. Roberts (367 Unit).
13. Tug of War: Winner: T. Wing.
14. Hop Step and Jump: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Cooke (T. Wing); 3. Nicholson (T. Wing).
15. Inter-section Mile Medley Relay (220, 440, 880, 1220 yards): 1. T. Wing; 2. 91 Squadron; 3. 367 Unit.

16. Three Miles: 1. Kirby (Admin.); 2. Wills (367 Unit); 3. Roberts (367 Unit).
17. Putting the shot: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).
18. Pole Vault: Winner Crocke-field (367 Unit).

19. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

20. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

21. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

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27. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

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29. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

30. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

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35. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

36. 100 yards: 1. Davies (F. Wing); 2. Mohammed (91 Squadron); 3. Lake-Bullen (91 Squadron).

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British Hard Courts Tennis finalists

Bournemouth, May 5. Jaroslav Drobny, self-exiled Czech player, and Geoff Brown, of Australia, will contest the final tomorrow in the men's singles of the British Hard Courts Lawn Tennis Championships here.

Drobny won his semi-final against Adrian Quist, of Australia, by 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 and 6-3 in the best match of the Championship.

A nine-year advantage to the 28-year-old Drobny proved the telling factor. The Czech showed a great deal of respect for the accuracy of Quist's game, but used the drop shot to telling effect and made the Australian run as much as possible.

Double-handed hitting

Brown beat his compatriot, Peter Molloy, Victoria's fifth ranking player, 6-2, 6-4 and 6-3. Brown's double-handed hitting carried too much power for Molloy.

The women's final will be between Miss Joan Curry, the holder, and Mrs. Heraldo Weiss, Argentine ace.

Miss Curry beat Mrs. Jean Walker-Smith 6-3, 6-3 and Mrs. Weiss defeated Miss Jean Quertier 6-1 and 6-4 in the semi-finals.—Reuter.

Paris championships

Paris, May 5. Mme. Maure (Finland) prevented an all-French final to the women's singles today when the Paris International Championships were continued. She beat Mme. Jacqueline Boutin (France) by 6-4, 3-6 and 6-4, but Mme. Anne-Marie Seghers survived from the other semi-final.

The first of the men's singles semi-finals saw Billy Talbot (United States) beat a fellow American, Fred Kovalevsky, by 6-2, 6-0, 3-6, 3-6 and 6-3.—Reuter.

HIBBERT STRONG FAVOURITE FOR BILLIARDS TITLE

London, May 5. Arthur Hibbert, the Manchester Area Champion and a strong tip for the title, today won his third-round match in the Amateur Billiards Championship of England, beating Eddie Hughes, a Liverpool burdler, by 1,247 points to 1,111. It was always expected that Hibbert would win the title, but he had to struggle with Hibbert leading by less than a hundred at the interval. He lost the lead in the closing stages of the evening session but produced a brilliant 128-break, the only century of the match, which virtually settled the issue, the margin in his favour at the finish being 136.—Reuter.

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Soccer:

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Soccer:

HK Schoolboys
to meet
Saigon team

A most interesting and entertaining soccer match should be seen on the Royal Navy ground at Causeway Bay at 5 p.m. today when a Hong Kong Schoolboys XI meets a team of Saigon Schoolboys.

The Saigon lads, who are on their way to Manila for a series of games at that port, are expected here at about seven o'clock this morning by ss. Cham-paign.

The Hong Kong Schools Inter-club Committee has selected a very strong side to meet the visitors, who will have to be exceptionally good if they hope to lower the colours of the local team.

As a curtain raiser to this game, St. Joseph's College 2nd XI will meet the Government Vernacular School XI in the play-off for the Championship of the Second Division of the School Football League.

Prices of admission: \$1.20 and 60 cents.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Schoolboys against Saigon:

Cheng Hon-ping (Wah Yan), Yeung Yu-hung (St. Joseph's), Chan Shiu-shing (St. Joseph's), Au Sze-wing (Taikoo), Tse Man-cheung (St. Joseph's) (Captain), Tsang Yung-kwan (Taikoo) (Vice-Captain), Yau Tai-hay (Queen's), Ma Hung (Taikoo), Chan Ping-leung (St. Joseph's), Lee Cheuk-sang (St. Joseph's) and Chu Kam-wing (St. Joseph's).

Reserves: Tong Ping-shu (Queen's), Law Sung-kit (Queen's) and Stephen Chan (St. Joseph's).

Team Manager: The Rev. Father Maguire.

REG LEWIS TO PLAY
FOR ENGLAND "B"

Reg Lewis, who scored both goals for Arsenal in their Football Association Cup final victory, will play for the England "B" team against the Italy "B" team at Milan on May 10.

Lewis was chosen today to replace Len Shackleton, the Sunderland forward, who was released to accompany his team on a tour of Turkey.—Associated Press.

Adapting themselves more readily to the sodden state of the ground, the Hong Kong Chinese Football Association XI beat Combined Services 5-2 in a soccer match at Caroline Hill yesterday to win the Victory Shield.

On conclusion of the game, the Shield and souvenirs were presented by Mr. Kwok Chan.

The Chinese played fast and clever football in the first half to score four goals, but in the second period, they fell away badly and only managed to score once.

In the second half, the Services were definitely on top, but their forwards failed to take advantage of the many scoring opportunities which came their way.

It was not until the closing stages of the game that the Services were able to net two goals to reduce the deficit, but the effort came too late to be of any use.

The Service defence, which played such a fine game against the Chinese "stars" last week, failed to reproduce the same form against the youngsters who took the field yesterday and were invariably caught on the wrong foot by through passes.

Townsend was the most outstanding Service defender on view, being conspicuous both in defence and attack.

Too well marked
Highton, as leader of the attack, was a trial throughout, but was too well marked to be really dangerous.

Spears, Daley and E. Woods were, however, the most dangerous of the Service forwards, their speed and accuracy giving the Chinese defenders many anxious moments.

Once again the Service forwards failed miserably when it came to putting the finishing touches to well-nigh perfect approach work. Apart from inaccuracy in shooting, they either tried to walk the ball into the net or positioned themselves badly, with the result that scoring chances went begging time and again.

The Chinese defence and attack gave a sterling display in the first half, but in the second period, the brunt of the play fell on the shoulders of the defence, which was given a gruelling time.

Play opened at a fast pace, with the Chinese taking up the attack. Their efforts to break through were repulsed, however, and from a breakaway Highton, almost scored with a powerful drive, Tan Woon-cheuk diverting the ball in grand style.

At the other end, Ko Po-keung missed a wonderful opportunity by giving his side the lead when he shot wide with only Chisholm to beat.

A fraction too late
The Services returned to the attack and Woods came into the limelight with a beautiful centre.

Highton, who was just a fraction too late to connect the ball as it sailed across the goalmouth, handled and a dangerous situation was relieved.

After Weaver had shot wide when favourably placed, the Chinese took the ball down and forced a corner, from which Ko Po-keung netted with a well-placed header which gave Chisholm no chance.

Play had then been in progress for about 10 minutes.

The Chinese, heartened by this success, attacked strongly but were unable to score.

A free kick awarded the Services just outside the Chinese penalty area kept danger, but after the ball had been lobbed about in front of the goalmouth, it was eventually cleared.

Highton had hard luck with a glorious drive after cleverly eluding the Chinese defenders, the ball just going wide of its mark.

Following a period of fast end to end play, Tong Sheung netted with a fast cross shot to put the Chinese two goals up.

The Chinese continued to dominate the exchanges and before the interval brought their tally of goals up to four, Lee Chun-fat and Ko Po-keung each netting once.

All-out offensive

Crossing over four goals in arrears, the Services started off in determined fashion and launched an all-out offensive against the Chinese defence.

On innumerable occasions the Services had the Chinese goal at their mercy, but they were slow in following up the opportunities which were presented to them, thereby enabling the Chinese defenders to scramble the ball away.

From a sudden breakaway by the Chinese forwards in the 20th minute, Lee Chun-fat scored to give his side a lead of five clear goals.

The Services continued to hammer away at the Chinese defence in the closing stages of the game, they were rewarded for their persistency when Highton and Daley each netted a goal.

HK Chinese FA: Tan Woon-cheuk, Fok Yiu-wah, Tam Chun-fai, Chan Kam-pun, Hung Hing-yuk, Tam Woon-cheung, Lau Sheung, Lee Chun-fat, Ko Po-keung, Tong Sheung and Mok Chun-wah.

Combined Services: Chisholm, Thompson, Philpotts, Dearsley, Barber, Townsend, E. Woods, Spears, Highton, Daley and Weaver.

TODAY'S SPORTS

GOLF
Old and New Courses, Fanling, 9.15 a.m.

ATHLETICS
Quadrangular Championships at Caroline Hill Stadium, 2 p.m.

BASKETBALL
La Salle v Chinese Y. 8 p.m.; Whaly v South China, 9 p.m., at Caroline Hill Stadium.

FOOTBALL
Combined School's v Saigon Schoolboys at Causeway Bay, 5 p.m.; Junior League Play-off: St. Joseph's v Government Vernacular Schools at Causeway Bay, 5.45 p.m.

HOCKEY
Association Match: Command v Club at King's Park, 10.30 a.m.; Army v Pak. BC at Sookunpoo, 11.15 a.m.; Navy v RAF at King's Park, 11.30 a.m.; Police v Chand Tara at Boundary Street, 11.30 a.m.

TENNIS
Inter-club Trial at Chinese Recreation Club, 8.30 p.m.

SCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
Men's Singles Final: Ip Koon-hung v Edwin Tsai, King's Park, 4 p.m.

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The Hong Kong Chinese Football Association XI which beat Combined Services 5-2 in the final game of the Victory Shield Competition at Caroline Hill yesterday.—"China Mail" Photo.

REME Athletic Meet:

AA Workshops win
Championship

Despite the heavy rain which fell midway through the afternoon, the REME Workshops held a successful Athletic Meet at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Taking into consideration the sodden state of the course, some of the times and distances returned by the winners of the various events were very creditable.

The AA Workshops won the Inter-Unit Championship with 46 points, while 40 Division were runners-up with 40.

At the conclusion of the Meet, Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Mansergh presented the prizes to the successful competitors.

With the kind permission of Lieutenant Colonel A.M. Mann, the Band of the 1st Battalion Middlesex Regiment, conducted by Sergeant J.D. Street, rendered selections during the intervals.

Outstanding athletes yesterday were Lance Corporal May of the AA Workshops, who won the 44 yards and the Shot Put while placing second in the 220 yards, and Corporal Towers of the 16th Infantry, who took first place in the High Jump and the Discus Throw and came second in the Shot Put and third in the Long Jump.

Staff Sergeant Wells of the 11th Infantry Workshop won the two sprints, while Sergeant Barnes of the 40 Division won the 880 yards and the One Mile.

The closest finish seen yesterday was in the longest race—the three miles.

Both Craftsman Watts of the 11th Infantry and Staff Sergeant Nicholas of the AA Workshops fought it out over the last 50 yards and both fell over the finishing line with Watts just managing to maintain his lead by about a yard, despite a determined last minute sprint by Nicholas.

Watts and Nicholas were content to lie in fourth and fifth position respectively during most of the race and it was not till the second last lap that Watts took the lead with Nicholas close behind.

Daglish of 40 Division was a good third.

Ran well-judged race

In the mile, Sergeant Barnes ran a well-judged race and did not overtake the pace-setter, Craftsman Hoyle, till 300 yards from the line.

Hoyle led from the start and kept it till the final lap, when Barnes sprinted down the back stretch.

About 150 yards from the line, Craftsman Addison of the AA Workshops also overtook the flying Hoyle, but could make no impression on Barnes, who won as he pleased.

Rounding the last bend, Craftsman Addison, also of the AA Workshops, came up with a rush and just managed to pass Hoyle at the post to take third place.

In the 440 yards, Lance Corporal May of the AA Workshops proved too good for his fellow contestants and won easily in 52.7 seconds.

Results

The following are the results: 100 yards: Staff Sergeant Wells (40 Div.); 2. Corporal Towers (16th Inf.); 3. Lieutenant Thomas (AA Workshops) (11.4 sec.).

220 yards: 1. Staff Sergeant Wells (40 Div.); 2. Lance Corporal May (AA Workshops); 3. Lieut.

tenant Thomas (AA Workshops) (23.5 sec.).

440 yards: 1. Lance Corporal May (AA Workshops); 2. Lance Corporal Jones (16th Inf.); 3. Private Ross (40 Div.) (58.7 sec.).

880 yards: 1. Sergeant Barnes (40 Div.); 2. Craftsman Jordan (AA Workshops); 3. Craftsman Addison (AA Workshops); 4. Craftsman Jordan (AA Workshops) (5 mins. 23.2 sec.).

Three Miles: 1. Craftsman Watts (11th Inf.); 2. Staff Sergeant Nicholas (AA Workshops); 3. Daglish (40 Div.) (19 mins. 5 sec.).

120 yards High Hurdles: 1. Craftsman Hunt (AA Workshops); 2. Sergeant Phillips (40 Div.); 3. Craftsman Richards (AA Workshops) (21.7 sec.).

Shot Put: 1. Lance Corporal May (AA Workshops); 2. Corporal Towers (16th Inf.); 3. Craftsman Moyer (AA Workshops) (Distance: 33 feet 10 inches).

Discus Throw: 1. Corporal Towers (16th Inf.); 2. Lance Corporal Logan (40 Div.); 3. Lance Corporal May (AA Workshops) (Distance: 102 feet 9 1/2 inches).

Javelin: 1. Craftsman Johnston (16th Inf.); 2. Lieutenant Thomas (AA Workshops); 3. Craftsman Wheelan (AA Workshops) (Distance: 100 feet 2 1/2 inches).

High Jump: 1. Corporal Towers (16th Inf.); 2. Craftsman Hunt (AA Workshops); 3. Corporal Spiby (16th Inf.) (Height: 5 feet 2 inches).

Long Jump: 1. Lance Corporal May (AA Workshops); 2. Staff Sergeant Wells (40 Div.); 3. Corporal Towers (16th Inf.) (Distance: 18 feet 10 1/2 inches).

Tug-of-War: (Points not counted in Championship). Winners: 16th Infantry Workshops.

WEST INDIES OPEN WELL

Worcester, May 6.—The West Indies cricket tourists won the toss and decided to bat first against Worcestershire in their opening first class match of their tour here today. By lunch time they had scored 113 for the loss of two wickets.

The pitch had been wholly protected from the steady rain early this morning, but although the weather was cold and cheerless, there was an attendance of more than 3,000 when play started.

Scores

West Indies—1st Innings: Rae, c. Yarwood, b. Jenkins, 9; J. Stollmeyer, c. Kenyon, b. Parks, 8.

Worrell, not out, 71; E. Weekes, not out, 25; Extras, 10.

Total (for 3), 113.

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HOME
FOOTBALL
RESULTS

London May 6.
The following were the results of football matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION

Derby	4	Bolton	0
Everton	3	M'chester C.	1
Fulham	1	Middlesbro	2
Newcastle	3	Blackpool	0
Portsmouth	5	Villa	1
Sheff. Wed.	2	Arsenal	5
Southampton	4	Chelsea	1
Wolves	0	Birmingham	1

SECOND DIVISION

Coventry	1	Barnsley	1
Hull	1	Cardiff	1
Luton	3	Bradford	0
Plymouth	2	Bury	0
Sheff. Wed.	0	Tottenham	0
Southampton	3	West Ham	2
Swansea	2	Grimsby	1

THIRD DIVISION (South)

Bournemouth	2	Norwich	0
Brighton	1	Millwall	0
Exeter	2	Notts Co.	0
Ipswich	2	Port Vale	1
Leyton	2	Southend	2
Reading	0	Bristol R.	1
Swindon	1	Bristol C.	1
Walsall	3	Palace	1

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Carlisle	0	Tranmere	0
Lincoln	4	Barrow	0
New Brighton	3	York	1
Rotherham	0	Crews	0

GLASGOW CHARITY CUP FINAL

Rangers	2	Celtic	3
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OTHER MATCHES

East Fife	1	Railt	0
Motherwell	4	Albion	0
Preston	2	Falkirk	0
Queen's Park R.C.	3	Charlton	0
Stirling	7	Ayr	1
St. Mirren	5	Morton	2
Alloa	1	Forfar	1
Cowdenbeath	2	Stenmuir	0
Dundee	1	Arbroath	1

RUGBY LEAGUE CUP FINAL

Warrington	19	Widnes	0
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—Reuter.

K. H. IP TO MEET
EDWIN TSAI IN
SCAA FINAL TODAY

Ip Koon-hung will meet Edwin Tsai in the final of the Men's Singles of the South China Athletic Association Tennis Championships at the SCAA Courts King's Park at 4 p.m. today.

This will be Ip Koon-hung's last Singles game in the Colony before his departure for Wimbledon.

UPSET IN KCC TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Playing superb tennis, A. V. White and Miss P. Ward defeated the highly favoured combination of C. Kotewall (KCC Champion) and Mrs. M. Chow (Colony Runner-up) in the Kowloon Cricket Club Tennis Tournament.

The score was 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 in favour of White and Ward.

Other results: J. Lefou beat R. O. Baker 5-7, 6-4. Miss P. Ward beat Miss M. Figueroa 6-5, 6-2, 6-2.

OTHER SPORTS

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Home cricket:

Lancashire make great
effort to force a win

London, May 5.

Lancashire made a splendid effort to force a win today but had to be content with first innings points from their Championship County match with Sussex.

A draw seemed assured at lunch, but R. Berry, the slow left-arm spinner, maintained an accurate length and flighted the ball cleverly to meet with encouraging success. He took four wickets for 34 runs.

Donald Smith again lifted well for Sussex, adding 62 to his first innings knock of 72 in three unbroken three-quarter hours, but until Jack Onkes arrived there was still a chance of Lancashire's success.

Onkes attacked the bowling resolutely and his 27 runs, including five fours, virtually made Lancashire's task hopeless.

Yorkshire, joint Champions last year, have made an unconvincing start this season after losing earlier this week to the MCC. They went down today to Oxford University.

The University were left to score 161 for victory in 190 minutes. They accomplished it with an hour to spare.

Good all-round bowling by the Oxford attack and a defensive field forced Yorkshire to take chances. Lowson jumped out to Bartlett and was smartly stumped after making 72. Jose, three for 53, Divecha, two for 61, and Henderson, three for 42, shared the Yorkshire wickets.

Dominates batting

The South African, Murray Hoffman, dominated the Oxford batting. Foraking his normal defensive style, he took 10 runs off one over from Aspinall, who had been bowling accurately.

He completed his 50 runs in 75 minutes. He and Bobby put on 100 in 95 minutes.

If early form is any criterion, Surrey should make a strong challenge for honours. They beat the MCC by 128 runs before lunch, for MCC, Robertson and Clarke pulled the game round with a seventh wicket stand of 97 and then young Malcolm Hilton, Lancashire's bowler, partnered Robertson in a ninth wicket stand of 59.

The MCC batted lone man short, Poole of Nottinghamshire being injured.

Jack Robertson, the Middlesex opener, had the highest innings of the day, with 91 runs, including six fours in four and a quarter hours.

In the only other Championship match, Warwickshire scored a well-deserved victory, over Hampshire after gaining a first innings lead of one run.

At Cambridge: Cambridge University drew with Essex. Essex beat Kent eight declared (Vigar not out 97). Cambridge University 159 (Dewar 51). Rutter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS
SIXTH RACE MEETING
Saturday, 13th May, 1950.

There are ten races, the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.30 p.m.

Through Tickets (10 Races-\$20) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Tel. House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race as well as the Special Cash Sweep for the "Kwangtung Handicap" scheduled to be run on 7th October, 1950.

Cash Sweep tickets on the last race and those for the "Kwangtung Handicap" may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 882, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

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